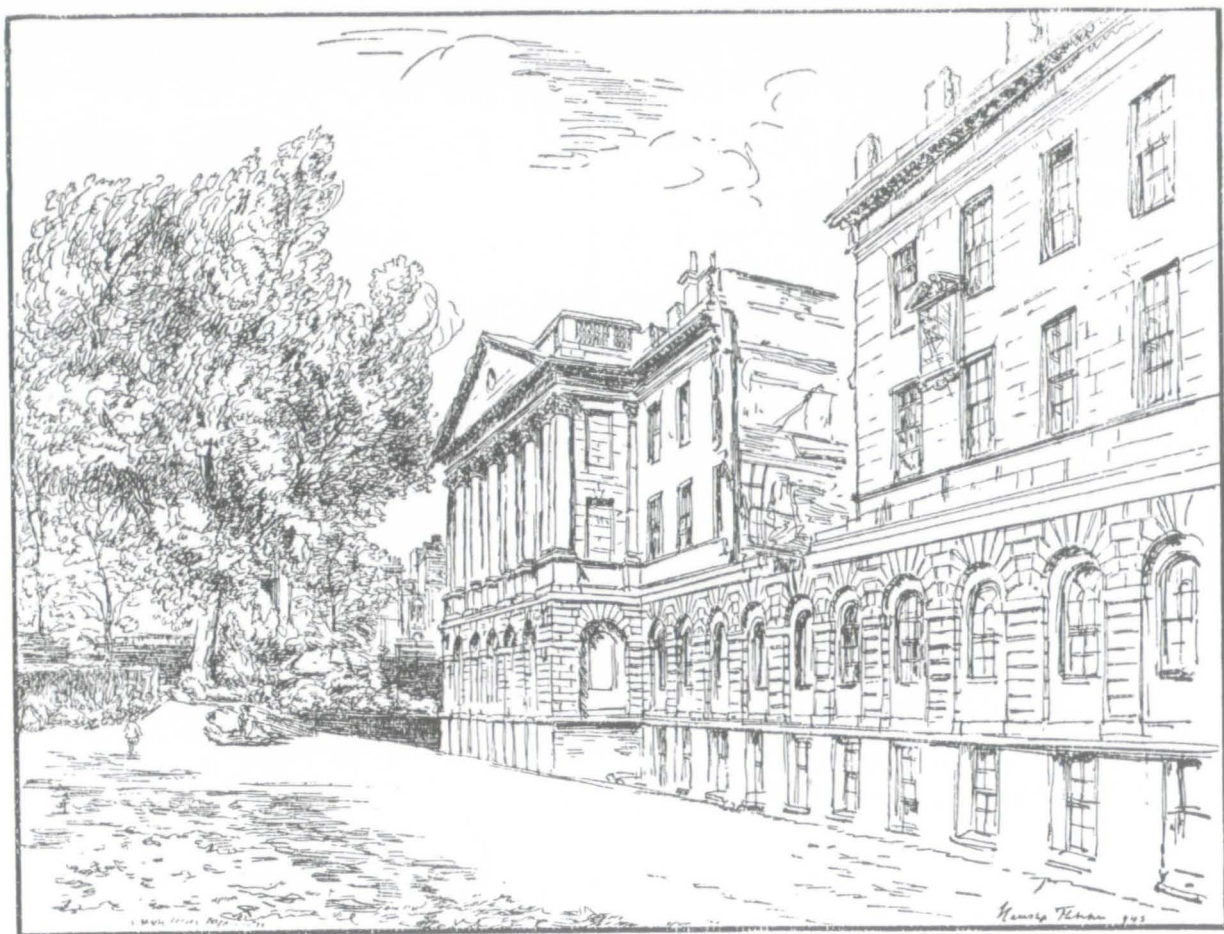
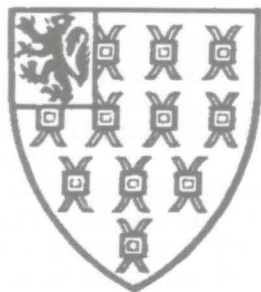


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Stone Buildings in 1945. Drawing by Hanslip Fletcher.



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PREFACE

The first four volumes of the printed extracts from the Black Books of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn were published a century ago, each containing less than 600 pages and covering in the aggregate some 420 years of the history of the Inn, ending in 1845. The fifth volume, edited by Sir Ronald Roxburgh, and published in 1968, takes some 630 pages to cover the next 70 years ending in 1914. The present volume takes nearly 900 pages to deal with a mere half century.

I leave it to my critics to say how much of this inflation is due to the editor's laxity and verbosity. I would merely say that I have endeavoured to follow the principles established by my predecessors. The growth is attributable to two main causes: the turbulence of the period 1914–1965, embracing two world wars; and its nearness to the present day, with memories still alive and many records still extant. One thing is certain. This is the last volume to be distilled from manuscript originals. The typewriter and the computer have taken over the keeping of the Inn's records.

The radical change of format and mode of compilation of the records after 1965 is one reason for stopping at this point. The risk of losing objectivity and breaching confidentiality if one comes too close to the present, is another. A third is the setting up of the Senate in 1966 affecting the autonomy of the Inn.

Like its predecessors this volume contains an introduction to the extracts from the Black Books. In this work I have tried to give a general picture of the Inn and its activities in the introduction, and at the same time avoiding excessive repetition of the material in the Extracts. This has resulted in the need for copious cross-references.

An innovation introduced by Sir Ronald Roxburgh was to end each year's extracts with a list of Benchers who had died during the year. In following that practice I have added brief biographical notes of those Benchers, mainly juniors, whose attainments are not conspicuously reported in the usual reference books.

My work has been supported throughout by Mr. Guy Holborn, the Librarian of Lincoln's Inn. No inquiry was too much trouble, and his researches have added greatly to the information contained in the book. I am extremely grateful to him. My gratitude also extends to the other members of the library staff for their helpfulness, and especially to Mrs. Frances Bellis for typing the Reports of the Economy Committee (Appendix 1) and even more onerously the lists of those called to the Bar in the period. At this point my wife rendered valuable assistance in checking the names against the Admission Registers and Call Council minutes.

My warm thanks are also due to my old friends, the Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Megarry, and Mr. Peter Allsop, C.B.E. for reading the proofs. I have long

been used to the former's hawk-eyed scrutiny of every page from the introduction to the index of any work being prepared for publication. I was not disappointed on this occasion. Finally I thank Ms. Jeanne Bradbury for compiling the indexes, and Mr. Richard Dew of the chancery bar for supplying the cross-references.

One last word. The title of this book is Volume 6 of "The Records of the HONORABLE Society of Lincoln's Inn". As all the preceding volumes use that spelling, for bibliographical reasons it has had to be retained here although the current spelling "HONOURABLE" is used throughout the text.

P.V.B.

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ABBREVIATIONS AND CROSS-REFERENCES

"The period" signifies the period between August 4th, 1914 and December 31st, 1965.

AR	References to the four volumes of the Admissions Registers.
BB	References to volumes 1 to 5 of printed extracts from the Black Books, e.g. 5BB.55. References to the original text are printed in square brackets throughout the Extracts.
<i>Ante</i> , p. 00 or <i>post</i> , p. 00	References to this volume (6); the numbers of pages (1-70) that fall within the introduction are printed in <i>italic</i> .
DNB	<i>Dictionary of National Biography</i>
WWW	<i>Who Was Who</i>

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INTRODUCTION

PRELIMINARY

This, the sixth volume of the printed extracts of the records of Lincoln's Inn, covers the period from the outbreak of the first world war on August 4th, 1914, to December 31st, 1965. ("the period"). The extracts are taken from the last 100 or so pages of volume 42 of the Black Books, and the whole of volumes 43 to 49 (inclusive). At this stage the Black Books consisted of large, leather-bound volumes of some 600 pages (300 sheets) of stout, lined paper (8" x 14") in which the records were entered in manuscript by the Steward/Under Treasurer or by one of the clerks in his office.¹ In April 1933 three Benchers were appointed to inquire into the quality of paper and ink and their suitability for preserving the records of the Society.² Their report is not available, but the records to this day are truly well preserved. What follows in this section is a summary, subject by subject, of the extracts, together with some additional information from other sources. They are grouped under the following main headings: the Constitution of the Inn, its Administration, its Fabric and Functioning, and concluding with a Chronicle of the main events.

CONSTITUTION

1. General. The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn has existed for centuries as an unincorporated association of members (or fellows) who fall into three classes, students, barristers and benchers (or Masters of the Bench), the last constituting the governing body. Its existence rests upon the right, shared with the other three Inns of Court, of calling its members to the bar and thereby conferring an exclusive right of audience in the superior courts of England and Wales.³ They earned and retained this right by virtue of taking responsibility for the training and selection of would-be barristers, and for the disciplining of their members before and after call.

2. Council and Officers. By 1914 it had long been settled that the Society was governed by the Benchers meeting in Council, headed by the Treasurer who holds office for one year from January 11th.⁴ Throughout the period and for

¹ From the beginning of 1966 the entries have been typed; see *post*, p. 690. ² *Post*, p. 323.

³ In the last few years, some solicitors have been granted full rights of audience.

⁴ From October 1st, 1958, the Treasurer has been allowed certain entertainment expenses: *post*, pp. 633, 634.

long afterwards he was supported by four other officers, who progressed annually through a "cursus honorum", from the Master of the Walks, Keeper of the Black Book, Dean of the Chapel and Master of the Library.¹ From 1920 the Treasurer has had to be elected by ballot.² Normally, both before and after 1920 the Treasurer is the next senior officer who has not hitherto served in the office of Treasurer. Two Treasurers since 1914 died in office: Sir Henry Tindal Methold on January 29th, 1952 and Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, Q.C. on October 23rd, 1960. Two others were compelled to resign the office owing to ill-health: Robert Norton C.B.E., K.C. in 1929³ and Viscount Buckmaster in 1934.⁴ Others have died⁵ or had to withdraw through infirmity⁶ while on the cursus. Such events were all the more likely during the period as there was then no age limit to the holding of any of the offices, including the Treasurership. The record of Viscount Maugham was unique. Despite having filled all the lower offices on the cursus, some more than once, he declined to be elected as Treasurer on three separate occasions, for the years 1940, 1941 and 1946. For 1940⁷ and 1946⁸ he refused outright. For 1941 he sought to set conditions which his fellow benchers found unacceptable.⁹ In spite of these rebuffs, Council accorded him precedence among the Benchers as if he had filled the office of Treasurer in 1946.¹⁰

The Council makes its own rules of procedure which it can abrogate or vary as it sees fit, or suspend their operation in any particular case. In 1914 there had been in existence Rules for the Election of Benchers since 1898.¹¹ They were replaced in 1923 by new Rules for the Election of Benchers.¹² Later the rules were broadened in scope and became known simply as "Standing Orders of the Council of Benchers." Sometimes a specific amendment was made.¹³ There were also during the period, three general revisions, in 1942,¹⁴ 1951¹⁵ and the last in November 1962.¹⁶

Until October 1965 the Under Treasurer did not attend Council meetings unless specially sent for. Thereafter he attended meetings and kept the minutes save during business marked private on the agenda.¹⁷

3. Committees. In 1914 and subsequently there were seven standing committees, viz. Special Committee (Students), Finance, Buildings and Chambers, Library, Chapel, Wine, and Kitchen. A Garden Committee was added in 1922.¹⁸ The membership was reviewed annually. For the most part these committees reported to Council which normally adopted their reports

¹ In 1998 the cursus was reduced to two years by combining the offices of Master of the Library and of the Walks, and those of the Dean of the Chapel and the Keeper of the Black Book.

² *Post*, pp. 144, 146-147.

³ *Post*, p. 288. He died later in the year: *post*, p. 292.

⁴ *Post*, p. 331. He died in December 1934.

⁵ Theobald Mathew on June 20th, 1939 while Master of the Library.

⁶ *Post*, p. 385. (Sir Arthur Underhill, aged 88).

⁷ *Post*, pp. 398, 400.

⁸ *Post*, p. 487.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 415, 416-417.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 487.

¹¹ SBB.327, 328.

¹² *Post*, p. 202.

¹³ *Post*, p. 476 as to precedence; *post*, p. 645 as to notices of meetings; and *post*, p. 687 as to powers of an Acting Treasurer.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 437.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 559.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 660. See Appendix

No. 3.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 688.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 187.

without modification. Occasionally the report was modified, or even referred back. Even less frequently the committee was expressly given power to act on some usually minor issue. The Treasurer was the *ex officio* chairman of all the committees.¹ The Finance Committee had a permanent chairman, though even this appointment was subject to the right of the Treasurer to preside if he thought fit.² Ad hoc committees, of which the Economy Committee was the most significant, were appointed from time to time. An important innovation was the establishment of the Bar Representation Committee in July 1946 as a liaison between the Benchers and those barristers who were not Benchers.³

4. Benchers. In August 1914 the Bench comprised one Royal, 75 Ordinary and six Honorary Benchers. This was the full complement according to the Rules for the Election of Benchers adopted in July 1898 and slightly modified as regards Honorary Benchers in December 1902 (limit of five), in March 1914 (increase to six) and June 1914 (setting order of precedence, and removing the necessity for a candidate to be a member of the Inn).⁴ At the end of 1965 the Bench comprised one Royal, 70 Ordinary and 15 Honorary Benchers.

(a) *Royal Benchers.* In 1914 the sole Royal Bencher was the King, George V.⁵ As Prince of Wales he had been Treasurer in 1904, when Lord Alverstone, the Master of the Library, undertook those duties of the Treasurer which the Prince did not find it convenient to perform in person.⁶ Lord Alverstone died in December 1915, and it appears that the King was upset at not being informed of Lord Alverstone's Memorial Service.⁷ In November 1929 H.R.H. Prince George, the King's fourth son, later the Duke of Kent, was invited to become a Bencher, but declined owing to ill health.⁸ In October 1932 the invitation was renewed and accepted.⁹ On November 29th, 1934 Prince George married Princess Marina and was created Duke of Kent.¹⁰ The King celebrated His Silver Jubilee in 1935¹¹ and died early in 1936,¹² leaving the Duke of Kent as the sole Royal Bencher. He and the Duchess of Kent attended a garden party at the Inn on June 24th, 1937.¹³ He was unable to pay any other visit to the Inn before the War. While on active service he was killed in an air crash on August 23rd, 1942.¹⁴ Later in that year approaches were made to Queen Elizabeth, the consort of King George VI, and to his elder daughter, Princess Elizabeth; both declined.¹⁵ In 1943 Queen Mary, the widow of King George V, was invited and accepted.¹⁶ She was living out of London during the War, so was not able to visit the Inn until October 1945.¹⁷ In December 1946 the invitation to Princess Elizabeth was renewed, but in the following month she sent her thanks, but regretted that it was not "possible to answer favourably

¹ For Vice Chairmen of Committees, see *post*, p. 361. ² *Post*, p. 84.

³ *Post*, pp. 496–497, 498–499, 504.

⁴ Invited to the Bench in April 1892: 5BB.285, 286.

⁵ *Post*, p. 91.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 317, 318; and see pp. 332, 332–333.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 339, 342.

⁸ *Post*, p. 371.

⁹ *Post*, p. 445.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 486–487.

⁴ 5BB.327, 328, 354, 393, 394.

⁶ 5BB.355, 356.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 293–294.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 335, 338, 341.

¹² *Post*, pp. 357–358, 358.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 445.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 457–458, 458–459.

at the moment."¹ Any further approach was precluded on her succeeding to the throne on the death of her father in February 1952. Queen Mary died in 1953,² and the Inn was once more without a Royal Bench. In July 1956 Princess Margaret was invited and accepted,³ and remains the Inn's Royal Bench. In 1965 she agreed to be the Treasurer in the year 1967.⁴

(b) *Ordinary Benchers*. In 1914 and for some time previously the number of Ordinary Benchers was limited to 75. It so remained until May 1936 when it began to be progressively reduced to 65 by not filling every fourth vacancy.⁵ By November 1941 this process had reduced the Bench from 75 to 69.⁶ In November 1942 the vacancy created by the death of Sir Rowland Whitehead, Bart. which should have been left unfilled, was filled.⁷ The scheme was eventually abandoned⁸ so that the Bench stabilised at around 70, which lasted until the end of the period. If a member not already a Bench. was appointed to the High Court Bench, or as a Law Officer of the Crown, he was thereupon invited to the Bench, normally in anticipation of the next vacancy thus avoiding any permanent increase in the number of Benchers.⁹ As the office of Bench. was held for life, a vacancy occurred only on the death, or (as once happened) the resignation¹⁰ of a Bench. Upon being informed of the death of a Bench., Council decided whether the vacancy should be filled by a member of the Inner or the Outer Bar.¹¹ Nominations followed and the election was normally held at the next Council meeting. After 1914 the Rules were further amended, particularly in relation to the election of silks. The original rule provided that no silk who was not at the time of his appointment in actual practice should be invited.¹² As eventually ordained, no member of the Bar, silk or junior, not then in practice should be invited to the Bench.¹³ The rule could be suspended, and was suspended on a number of occasions.¹⁴ Moreover, it was declared that there is no rule that silks had to be invited in the order of their precedence as such.¹⁵ Also considered and altered was the form of the Invitation to the Bench,¹⁶ and of the Publication after acceptance.¹⁷ Precedence on the Bench

¹ *Post*, pp. 505, 507. ² *Post*, p. 579. ³ *Post*, pp. 613, 614. ⁴ *Post*, p. 689. ⁵ *Post*, pp. 363, 364.

⁶ Recorded in Standing Orders of 1942, memo to para 1.

⁷ *Post*, p. 446. The last vacancy left unfilled under the scheme was that occasioned by the death of Lord Justice Luxmoore on September 28th, 1944.

⁸ Standing Orders of 1951, para.5: "... The number of Ordinary Benchers shall be such as the Council may from time to time determine."

⁹ *Post*, p. 463 (Denning); p. 529 (Ormerod); p. 531 (Pearce); pp. 551, 553-554 (Collingwood); p. 558 (Ungoed-Thomas, S.G.).

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 250; and see *post* p. 59.

¹¹ See, e.g. *post*, pp. 660, 675. King's (or Queen's) Counsel sit within the Bar of the Court and so are members of the Inner Bar. They wear a silk gown, hence are colloquially known as "silks". Barristers who are not silks wear a stuff gown, plead at (i.e. outside) the Bar of the Court, and are known as "juniors" whatever their standing. ¹² 5BB.327.

¹³ *Post*, p. 190, replaced by Rules 4 & 5 of the Rules as revised in 1923.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 215, 216, 248, 249, 254, 256.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 195.

¹⁶ In the period only one candidate declined the invitation: Leonard Francis Potts in 1935. See *post*, p. 353, and further *post*, p. 654.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 255, rescinding pp. 196-197. Revised: *post*, p. 556. For the procedure during the second world war, see *post*, p. 407.

dated from election, not from publication.¹ The initial extracts give examples of the procedure on the notification of the death of a Bencher and the consequent election,² but thereafter the names of the Benchers dying in any year together with their replacements are listed at the end of that year. The newly elected Benchers are also noted at the beginning of the minutes of the meeting at which they were elected.

The Standing Orders were further revised in 1962 and contained the following: "It is desirable (but not obligatory) that the Ordinary Benchers shall always include at least 24 practising members of the Bar, of whom at least 10 shall be members of the Outer Bar." Thereafter the election of Benchers did not always follow soon after a death, but in groups of two to four.³

(c) *Honorary Benchers.* In March 1932 the permitted number of Honorary Benchers was raised to ten.⁴ An Honorary Bencher was not eligible for office in the Society, or entitled to vote in Council. If elected before 1951 he had such precedence as was assigned to him at his election, but Honorary Benchers elected in or after 1951 took precedence from the date of their election.⁵ They covered a wide spectrum, but some categories can be identified: War leaders;⁶ Indian members of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council; Commonwealth and foreign judges; and, most important of all, academic lawyers of distinction of whom there were six at the end of the period. They played a more active role than would normally be expected of an Honorary Bencher. They attended meetings of the Scholarship Committee.⁷ Later they were to receive notices of the Council meetings, and be eligible to sit on its committees.⁸ On two later occasions Council discussed the possibility of younger members of university law faculties becoming Honorary Benchers or being granted dining rights.⁹ Nothing seems to have come of it by the end of the period, beyond the inauguration of an annual dinner to Law Tutors who are members of the Inn.¹⁰

(d) *Rota.* An Ordinary Bencher is required to dine in rotation during the Dining Term. This obligation is normally carried out conscientiously and cheerfully. But difficulties do occur. In November 1920, and again in November 1921 Benchers had to be reminded of their obligations.¹¹ Relief from the duty could be claimed by a Bencher on reaching the age of 75.¹² Possibly to ensure impartiality, from 1931 the draw for the rota was required to be carried out each term by any two Benchers.¹³ The rules were further revised in 1950.¹⁴

5. Admission: students.

(a) *The Consolidated Regulations.* In 1914 the qualifications required for admission to an Inn as a student, and those required for Call to the Bar, notably by keeping terms and passing examinations, had been standardised by agreement between the Inns, and took the form of the Consolidated Regulations. They originally appeared in 1852, re-issued in 1864 and were revised from

¹ *Post*, p. 197. ² *Post*, pp. 75, 76. ³ *Post*, pp. 660, 661, 675, 676. ⁴ *Post*, p. 313.

⁵ Standing Orders, 1951, clauses 1 & 2.

⁶ The greatest of them, Winston Churchill, faced with concurrent invitations from Gray's Inn and Lincoln's Inn accepted the former: *post*, pp. 436, 439.

⁷ *Post*, p. 490. ⁸ *Post*, pp. 627, 634. ⁹ *Post*, pp. 627, 669. ¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 637, 639–640, 643.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 162, 179. ¹² *Post*, p. 300. ¹³ *Post*, p. 311. ¹⁴ *Post*, p. 553.

time to time. The revision of October 12th, 1914 took effect at the start of the period. They were considerably relaxed in favour of students serving in the two world wars.¹

(b) *Qualifications.* Under the Consolidated Regulations a person seeking admission as a student to an Inn had to have passed one of a number of qualifying examinations in general education and to produce certificates of good character. There was a special provision for certificates for Indian students.² Also, under the regulations of the Inn he had to deposit a sum of £50 or execute a bond with two sureties to secure that sum, and to deposit a further sum of £100 unless he were a member of the Scots or Irish Bar, or were a member of a specified British university.³ In 1921 power was taken to dispense with the payments of the deposits in whole or in part in deserving cases.⁴ This could be particularly useful in assisting overseas students.⁵ The aspiring student had to make a declaration that he was not engaged in any of a formidable list of professions or in trade.⁶

(c) *Council of Legal Education.* In 1852 the Inns had established a joint body, the Council of Legal Education, charged with "the power and duty of superintending the education and examination" of candidates for Call to the Bar.⁷ Towards the end of the period the number of students had increased to such an extent that the Council put forward in July 1962 a scheme for the acquisition of larger premises, which the Inns accepted.⁸ By the middle of 1964 the Council of Legal Education had moved to a purpose built school of law⁹ in Gray's Inn which they continue to occupy to this day.

(d) *Education.* The Council of Legal Education provided teaching by lectures and tutorials¹⁰ but attendance at these was optional. Most students prepared themselves by going to commercial tutors, or by taking correspondence courses and the like. In July 1962 the sponsorship scheme was inaugurated whereby students were invited to meet practising barristers in their chambers and talk about a barrister's working life.¹¹ In 1959, to encourage more Home Students to join the Inn, "Lincoln's Inn Societies" were established in the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge.¹² Five years later the society in Oxford had broken down, and that in Cambridge was failing. They were resuscitated and their scope widened.¹³ They continue in some form to this day. In 1965 the Inn set up a standing committee for the welfare of students intending to practise at the English Bar.¹⁴

¹ *Post*, pp. 100–101, 398, 406–407, 423, 444.

² CR 2(iv); *post*, p. 160.

³ 5BB.390, 391.

⁴ *Post*, p. 173.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 174–175, 177, 205.

⁶ The interpretation of this requirement occupied a good deal of attention on the part of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar, see *post*, p. 14.

⁷ See the Council's Calendar for 1965/66, p. ii. For funding arrangements, see *post*, pp. 179, 181–183, 189.

⁸ *Post*, p. 659.

⁹ It was opened by Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, on June 10th, 1964.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 364, provision for supervisors.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 659.

¹² *Post*, pp. 635–636.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 673, 674.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 682. For the welfare of overseas students, see *post*, p. 9.

(e) *Keeping Terms.* The keeping of terms goes back to the earliest days of the Inn, when they were closely associated with the compulsory readings and moots. By 1914 the education of students was provided in other ways than the keeping of terms. In 1914 the basic requirement was the keeping of 12 terms by dining on 6 days in each term (3 in the case of students at one of a number of named Universities).¹ By the end of the period the requirement was to keep 8 terms by dining on three days in each term.² The Benchers had considerable powers of dispensation in individual cases. On grounds of convenience, the dates of the dining terms were altered in 1951.³

(f) *Women.* Before 1914 attempts by women to become barristers were sporadic, gradual and uniformly unsuccessful. In 1873 92 ladies unsuccessfully sought permission to attend lectures given under the auspices of the Council of Legal Education.⁴ In 1891 a Miss Day applied to join the Society with a view to obtaining a certificate to practise as a conveyancer under the Bar.⁵ In 1904 Miss Christabel Pankhurst's petition to become a student was refused.⁶

Miss Pankhurst's methods included public demonstrations. In the meantime others, averse to publicity for its own sake,⁷ and having no wish to be branded as "militant suffragettes", were pursuing the admission of women to the legal professions by less strident means. One such was Gwyneth Marjory Bebb. She was the daughter of the Rev. Llewellyn Bebb, D.D. Principal of St David's College, Lampeter. She graduated from St Hugh's College in the University of Oxford with first class honours in the School of Jurisprudence in June 1911. In September 1911 she became "an investigating officer in the Board of Trade, which included the preparation and conduct of cases under the Trade Boards Act in Courts of Summary Jurisdiction."⁸ In December she applied to sit the preliminary examination for aspiring solicitors. On the Law Society indicating that they would refuse her admission to the examination on the ground that as a woman she was not a "person" within the meaning of the Solicitors Act 1843, she commenced an action for a declaration and order of mandamus. Her action was dismissed by Joyce J. in July 1913. His decision was upheld by the Court of Appeal in December 1913.⁹

The Great War produced a shortage of labour in all spheres of civilian employment owing to the great and continuing demands of the Armed Forces. "In July 1915 Christabel Pankhurst staged her last demonstration. Thirty thousand women marched down Whitehall with the slogan: 'We demand the right to serve.'¹⁰ The demand achieved great success. In 1917 Miss Bebb, or Mrs Thomson as she became at some point during this period, was appointed the Head of the Legal department of the Ministry of Food in

¹ C.R.(1915), 12-15.

² C.R.(1965), 10-13. See also *Post*, pp. 659, 660, 661.

³ *Post*, pp. 560-561.

⁴ 5BB.178.

⁵ 5BB.275.

⁶ 5BB.357.

⁷ "I very much dislike Press intrusion and advertisement and am very glad to be entirely inaccessible at the moment." G.M. Thomson (nee Bebb) to Steward, Jan. 2 [1920]. LI Archives Bld.

⁸ Information in Petition dated November 27th, 1918: LI Archives Bld.

⁹ *Bebb v. Law Society* [1914] 1 Ch. 286.

¹⁰ A.J.P. Taylor *English History 1914-1945* (1976) p. 38.

the Midlands, an appointment she was still holding when, in November 1918, she applied to join Lincoln's Inn as a student. In her petition she explained

"I propose to continue in legal work, undertaken in the first place owing to the exigencies of the war, and apart from the fact that I am conscious of the desirability of my position being regularised by my subjection to the authority and rules imposed on members of the Bar, I am anxious to be in a position to practice as a Barrister in the future."

Her petition, described as a "communication from a Lady" came before Council in January 1919 when no order was made.¹ Nevertheless, the Inns realised that the issue would not go away, so they asked the Joint Committee to consider it.² By April there was a strong possibility of legislation to open all professions and public offices to women. In July a special Joint Committee of the Four Inns was set up to consider how best the expected admission of women could be carried into effect. The Joint Committee reported in November, being of the opinion the "it is of the highest importance that [women] should be admitted to the profession in every respect on the same terms as men."³ They scouted the suggestion that they should be accommodated in a separate Inn. In December 1919 Mrs G.M. Thomson renewed her application for admission which was ordered to stand over until the Act had passed.⁴ On 23rd December the Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act 1919 received the Royal Assent.

On December 24th the Steward wrote to invite her to attend to sign her Bond for admission on January 7th, 1920.⁵ Had she done so she would have been the first woman to be admitted to Lincoln's Inn. Unfortunately she had gone into a nursing home on December 22nd,⁶ and in consequence was not admitted until January 27th. In the meantime, on January 17th Marjorie Eva Powell, Lecturer in Political Economy at Victoria University, Manchester, then aged 26, was admitted. She took her name off the books in the following year. Also in January 1920 Council approved appropriate revisions to the Consolidated Regulations.⁷ The Society did not share the desire of Gray's Inn to make a statement to the press correcting inaccuracies in reporting the Inns' attitude to the entrance of women.⁸ Later rulings were made that a male barrister could not bring a lady guest to guest night dinner,⁹ though women could bring in women guests.¹⁰ In April 1922 the Judges promulgated instructions on the dress of women in court.¹¹ Finally Lincoln's Inn adopted the ruling of the Joint Committee that Miss Helena Normanton of the Middle Temple could properly be called to the Bar in her maiden name.¹² Miss Normanton was called in 1922, as one of the first women to be called to the Bar. It was not until January 1923 that the first two women were called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn.¹³ They were Miss Mithan Ardeshir Tata from Bombay, and Miss Mercy Ashworth from London. They were admitted as

¹ *Post*, pp. 128, 130, 131.

² *Post*, pp. 133, 137, 138.

³ *Post*, pp. 141-143.

⁴ *Post*, p. 144.

⁵ See letter dated Dec. 27th, 1919 G.M. Thomson to Steward.

⁶ *Ibid.*

⁷ *Post*, pp. 145, 146.

⁸ *Post*, p. 146.

⁹ *Post*, p. 167.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 207. These rulings were not relaxed until after the Second World War.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 189.

¹² *Post*, pp. 193-194.

¹³ *Post*, p. 754.

students in April 1920 when they were 22 and 51 years old respectively.¹ Mrs G.M. Thomson never achieved her ambition to be called to the Bar. The Inn's records contain a laconic note that she died on October 10th, 1921.

(g) *Overseas Students*. Lincoln's Inn has always admitted a large number of students from overseas, particularly from India and the former colonies.² In 1927 steps were taken to limit the numbers.³ At about the same time concern was expressed that some overseas candidates were seeking admission to avoid tests in their own country.⁴ It proved impossible to devise a workable scheme and procure the agreement of the other Inns to it.

At the end of the second world war in 1945, the Middle Temple suggested a Joint Committee of the four Inns and the Council of Legal Education to consider the needs of Indian and other overseas students.⁵ The Committee, known as the "Empire Students Committee" produced a number of informative reports with recommendations which were accepted by the Inns.⁶ In July 1946 its function was taken over by a permanent Bar Students Advisory Committee, leading to the appointment of a full time students welfare officer who was able to assist in finding living accommodation, and generally advising on their stay in this country.⁷ On the educational front may be noted the recommendations of the Council of Legal Education regarding reading in chambers by overseas students,⁸ the financing of visits to Cumberland Lodge,⁹ and a request from the Lord Chancellor for a nominee to serve on a committee concerned with the practical training of overseas students.¹⁰ An initiative which did not come to fruition was the provision of a students' hostel.¹¹ For its part, the Council of Lincoln's Inn appointed a sub-committee to consider what could be done for students, which led to the appointment of a Students Advisory Officer.¹²

A most important contribution was the publication in January 1961 of the Report of the Committee on Legal Education for Students from Africa (Cmd. 1255: chaired by Lord Denning). It dealt with the conditions of entry (including fees and deposits), and the form and content of the Bar examinations as they applied to students from Africa. On conditions of entry, one innovation suggested by the Committee was the abandonment of compulsory Latin. This came to be accepted as inevitable for all aspiring students, not just those from overseas.¹³

The Report also dealt with the absence of adequate educational accommodation for overseas students, concluding: "It is imperative to get more and better accommodation. It should be possible to adapt an existing building for the purpose. It has been suggested to us that the building in Lincoln's Inn, which is at present used by the Inns of Court Regiment, would be well suited for adaptation. The Regiment is not nearly so closely associated with the Inns of Court as once it was; and, as it has now been amalgamated with another

¹ Admissions Register, Vol. 3, p. 141.

² For the difficulties which this policy produced, see *post*, pp. 151-153.

³ *Post*, p. 272.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 273, 276-277.

⁵ *Post*, p. 479.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 483-484, 492-494, 500-501.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 511, 515-517, 520-521.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 568-569, 571.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 683-684, 692.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 646.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 655, 656, 672, 677, 678-679, 687, 689. But see *post*, pp. 32-33.

¹² *Post*, pp. 631, 642, 651.

¹³ *Post*, p. 607, 652.

unit, there may be a chance of the building becoming free." The recommendations were considered by the Council of Legal Education in a report dated March 21st, 1961. On the shortage of accommodation they agreed "with everything the [Denning] Report says on this subject; indeed we consider that accommodation is the key to the future of legal education in London for overseas students." The Council of the Inn appointed a sub-committee of three Benchers to report upon the matter¹ which they did in a report which was considered at a Special Council Meeting on May 17th, 1961.² The Government were unwilling to release the building occupied by the Inns of Court Regiment,³ and in the end accommodation for the Council of Legal Education was provided in Gray's Inn.⁴

6. Call to the Bar

(a) *Qualifications.* The requirements for call to the Bar are set out in the Consolidated Regulations. The candidate must have reached the age of 21 years, kept the required number of terms applicable to his case, passed the prescribed examinations, made a declaration similar to that made on admission, and paid certain fees.⁵ He then petitioned the Benchers to be called. The Call involved the holding of two Special Councils. At the first a bencher proposed a candidate's call.⁶ At the second, a few days later, his call was ordered to be published in Hall on a specified day.⁷ In 1933 the Benchers were concerned about the paucity of information as to the character and recent conduct of overseas students seeking to be called.⁸ There were many exceptions to some or all of the requirements. Some were in the Regulations. The Regulations were relaxed in differing ways in favour of Irish Barristers,⁹ Scottish Advocates,¹⁰ Colonial Barristers, Vakils¹¹ and former Solicitors. In favour of students serving in the War, temporary relaxations were introduced.¹² The Benchers retained an overall discretion in special circumstances¹³ the extent of which came under scrutiny when Gray's Inn called Mr. J.M. Beck, the Solicitor-General of the United States, to the Bar without fulfilling any of the requirements. This was done in order to allow him to appear in the Privy Council in an appeal from Canada to which the United States was a party.¹⁴ There was no controversy about the application of the overall discretion to distinguished German Jewish lawyers who fled here in 1933.¹⁵

(b) *Call ceremony.* During the second world war, dining was discontinued, with the consequence that the few calls to the Bar took place in the middle of the day. Call Day dinners were not restored until 1948.¹⁶ In 1964 the Treasurer (Lord Denning) proposed that the candidates should wear barristers gowns and

¹ *Post*, p. 651: 12 April 1961.

² *Post*, pp. 652-653, postponed from 4 May (p. 652).

³ *Post*, pp. 653-654: 26 July 1961.

⁴ In 1964: see *post*, p. 666, note 1.

⁵ Increased to £40 in April 1927: *post*, p. 189. For earlier fees see 5BB.65, 113, 114.

⁶ For the bencher's duty in moving Calls, see *post*, pp. 429-430.

⁷ For a sample, see *post*, p. 74.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 321-322.

⁹ For Northern Ireland, see *post*, p. 280.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 172.

¹¹ Native pleaders in Hindu Courts in India: see C.R.44.

¹² *Post*, p. 50. As to enemy aliens, see *post*, p. 67.

¹³ Proviso to Regulation 1.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 204, 205, 207, 211.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 327.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 536.

bands, and if practicable wigs also.¹ At the first Council meeting in 1965 it was ordered that the old system be reverted to and that wigs and bands be not worn.² Each candidate received a certificate of call. If the certificate was lost, or in one case, devoured by insects,³ a duplicate, so marked, was issued; if the candidate changed his name, no further certificate would be issued.⁴

7. Pupillage and Further Training. A barrister or aspiring barrister who intended to practise in England and Wales was strongly recommended to become a pupil of or "read in Chambers" with a practising barrister for which a fee of 100 guineas for twelve months (or pro rata for a shorter period), was expected, together with a fee of three guineas for the barrister's clerk, or two for six months.⁵ Council refused to allow a year's instruction by correspondence with a barrister as equivalent to reading in a barrister's chambers.⁶ In October 1951, the Council of Legal Education called attention to the risk of exploitation of overseas students and those recently called in accepting pupillages in the chambers of barristers of little or no practice.⁷ After consultation with the Inns, on February 25th, 1952 the Council of Legal Education put forward a recommendation to the Inns designed to protect overseas students from this exploitation, which Lincoln's Inn accepted in the following April,⁸ and the other Inns at about the same time.⁹ In 1959 the Council of Legal Education introduced a post-final course of Practical Professional Training.¹⁰ Near the end of the period, the Inns of Court Executive Council set in train a review of the whole subject of practical training for the Bar.¹¹

8. Financial Assistance.

(a) *Coronation studentships.* To mark the coronation in 1911 of the Royal Bench, King George V, the Society undertook to make available the annual sum of 400 guineas to assist members of the Inn to read in chambers.¹² During the War no awards could be made,¹³ but from mid 1921 awards were regularly made.¹⁴

(b) *The Buchanan Prize.* Under the will of William Fry Buchanan who was called to the Bar by the Society in June 1853, aged 25, and who died in 1881, a fund of £5000 consols was to be applied "by way of scholarship, exhibition or prize for the Student of [Lincoln's] Inn who shall from time to time pass the best examination upon being called to the Bar and shall be considered by the majority of the Examiners at the same examination to be the Student of Lincoln's Inn best entitled thereto." The gift was subject to a life interest which did not fall in until 1926. The prize has since been regularly awarded.¹⁵

¹ *Post*, pp. 674-675, 675, 676.

² *Post*, p. 681.

³ *Post*, p. 692.

⁴ *Post*, p. 519.

⁵ *Post*, p. 313. For the position where the pupil-master died during the course of the pupillage, see *post*, pp. 352, 354.

⁶ *Post*, p. 209.

⁷ See *post*, pp. 562-563, 563, 564, 565.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 568-569, giving the text of the recommendation.

⁹ *Post*, p. 570, 571.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 630-631.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 669.

¹² 5BB.383.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 96, 113.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 173. See, e.g., *post*, p. 203 (A.T. Denning).

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 253.

(c) *The Bennett prize*. In 1944 Viscount Bennett, sometime Prime Minister of Canada and an Honorary Bencher, gave the Inn a sum of £1000 to be used for educational purposes. The Society resolved to apply the income periodically for a prize for an essay on a set subject.¹

(d) *The Morton of Henryton prize*. In 1956 the Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton, M.C. (Treasurer 1953) provided a Prize Fund, which he later increased to permit an annual award of £100.²

(e) *Cholmeley scholarships*. In 1927 the Society sold a property in Newgate Street which had come into its hands under the will of Sir Roger Cholmeley who died in 1565.³ The proceeds were used to fund the four Cholmeley scholarships awarded annually, two for members of the University of Oxford, and two for members of the University of Cambridge.⁴

(f) *Cassel scholarships*. To commemorate his Treasurership during 1935 Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C. founded three scholarships of £200 p.a., one to be given each year tenable for three years. In 1949 Sir Felix made up the shortage of income to the original £600 p.a. by an addition to the capital of the fund.⁵

(g) *Kennedy scholarship*. This scholarship was established by the will of Judge Alfred Kennedy, K.C. in memory of his father, the Rt. Hon. Sir William Rann Kennedy (Treasurer 1914; died 1915).⁶ Judge Kennedy died in February 1943 while Dean of the Chapel. The trust property consisted of real property at Abington, Bibury, and was subject to a life interest for Judge Kennedy's widow. In 1958 Mrs Kennedy surrendered her interest in most of the property.⁷ It was not until 1962 that the property was sold for £22,000 and the scholarship set up.⁸

(h) *Greenland scholarship*. In October 1953 the Society received a Bequest of £5000 under the will of Dora Greenland, the widow of Hubert Greenland, a bencher who died in 1945, the income of which was to be used to assist the education or training in the law of students of the Society as the Benchers thought fit. Council accepted the recommendation of the Scholarship Committee that the whole income each year should be applied in giving a scholarship on the lines of the Cholmeley Scholarships.⁹

(j) *Droop scholarship*. In January 1964 Council was informed that Arthur Henry Droop, a bencher of the Society had made a substantial donation to the scholarship funds. Unfortunately the donor died within six months of his donation with the result that estate duty at the rate of 50% became payable by the Inn. Council approved the action of the Finance Committee in making up the loss of income which would have been suffered by the Droop Scholars.¹⁰

(k) *Whittaker bequest*. In 1942 the Society was informed that the widow of the late William Joseph Whittaker, a Barrister of the Society, had bequeathed £2500 to Trinity College, Cambridge to provide a scholarship for a member of the

¹ *Post*, pp. 468, 495, and see p. 594.

³ 1BB.348. Archives D1c.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 353, 541.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 634, 635, 637, 638.

⁹ *Post*, p. 582.

² *Post*, p. 673 (1964).

⁴ *Post*, pp. 272, 277–278, 278–279.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 450–451, 459.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 658, 661.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 668, 676, 680.

College who is placed in the first class of Part II of the Law Tripos and is or becomes a member of Lincoln's Inn.¹

(1) *Miscellany.* (i) In November 1939 it was agreed between the Inns that no scholarships would be awarded during the war. Towards the end of the war, some relaxation of this embargo was agreed in favour of students discharged from active service owing to wounds or ill health.²

(ii) In 1956 a sum of £10,000 was set aside to help attract students from British Universities to Lincoln's Inn.³

(iii) In 1960 it was ordered that in considering awards under the Cholmeley and Cassel scholarships the awards were to be based on merit and the question of means was not to be a condition.⁴

(iv) In 1963 it was ordered that Benchers of the Inn should not be permitted to submit testimonials in support of applicants for scholarships.⁵

9. Moots. The great standby of sixteenth and seventeenth century training, the compulsory moot, had fallen into desuetude by the nineteenth century. In October 1925 the Director of Legal Studies of the Council of Legal Education invited the Inns to revive the ancient system of mooting.⁶ In response, the Society arranged for a moot to be held in Hall after dinner on January 25th, 1926.⁷ It was judged by the Lord Chancellor.⁸ Counsel were F.R. Evershed and Garrow Tomlin on one side, and H. Wynn-Parry and G.A. Rink on the other. Three further moots were held during that year. The third in the series is noteworthy as the first in which women appeared as counsel. It was held on June 24th before Lord Justice Scrutton. Counsel for the appellant were Mr. P.J. Sykes and the Hon. Ruth Buckley,⁹ for the respondent Mr. R.R.A. Walker and Mrs Nottidge.¹⁰ The holding of moots lapsed after 1926. The Inn's moot book next records a moot in November 1958, after which moots have been regularly held until the present day.¹¹

10. Relations with other Inns. The Inns kept each other informed about matters of mutual interest. From time to time they set up ad hoc joint committees or working parties or delegated authority to the Treasurers¹² to deal with such problems as arose. For example, while the British Empire was still a reality, the Director of Recruitment for the Colonial Service sought the help of the Inns to identify suitable recruits for the Colonial Legal Service. A joint committee of the four Inns was appointed to organise the assistance required.¹³ Again, in 1963 the Attorney General invited the Inns to join in discussions with

¹ *Post*, p. 443. W.J. Whittaker, a Barrister of the Middle Temple, was admitted *ad eundem* on October 27th, 1902.

² *Post*, pp. 473, 481.

³ *Post*, p. 607.

⁴ *Post*, p. 647.

⁵ *Post*, p. 663.

⁶ *Post*, p. 234.

⁷ *Post*, p. 240.

⁸ Viscount Cave, Master of the Bench of the Inner Temple.

⁹ (1898–1986) Called 1926. Later Dame Ruth Buckley. Daughter of Lord Wrenbury (1845–1935), Treasurer 1916.

¹⁰ The case concerned a slanderous parrot. A report, including the judgment of Scrutton L.J., is to be found at 61 L.J. News. 548.

¹¹ See *post*, p. 630.

¹² See *post*, p. 580 on intermittent shared expenses.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 336–337, 341, 352.

the Law Society concerning common examinations and transfers between the two professions. These matters were actively considered but nothing specific had been agreed before the end of the period.¹ In addition to ad hoc committees,² in 1914 there were two permanent bodies, the Council of Legal Education³ and the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar. The latter body was established in 1894.⁴ Its function was advisory. It consisted of five Benchers from each Inn, being practising barristers of whom two at least were juniors. It met three or four times a year to report on any question concerning the Bar which any one of the Inns thought proper to refer to the Committee. The reports were usually but not necessarily adopted by all the Inns. It was replaced in May 1962 by the Inns of Court Executive Council.⁵

11. General Council of the Bar. This body was established in 1895 to consider questions relating to the interests and character of the Bar of England and Wales. It was largely financed by the Inns on the basis that "The Inns of Court do not recognise, and the Bar Committee in accepting it shall not claim that the Bar Council has any right to exercise any of the jurisdiction, powers or privileges of the Inns of Court."⁶ It issued annual reports of its transactions and occasionally special reports as in 1931 when it responded to a report of the London Chamber of Commerce on the cost of litigation.⁷ Relations between the Inns and the Bar Council became closer in 1947 with the setting up of a standing joint committee of the Inns and a committee of the Bar Council to meet to discuss matters of importance to the Bar as a whole.⁸

12. Numbers of Barristers. The number of barristers in practice in Lincoln's Inn as gleaned from the numbers in the Law List to measure the contributions to the Bar Library⁹ kept fairly well up throughout the War, ranging from 2674 in 1914 to 2524 in 1918.¹⁰ Surprisingly, they fell away after the War so that by 1924 the comparable figure was 1989.¹¹ This decline was raised as a matter of concern by the Middle Temple in July 1927 but nothing appears to have been done, save to restrict the number of overseas students admitted from January 1st, 1928.¹² After the second world war, this method of calculation was superseded by better records, and in any event by 1960 the expenses were shared equally between the Inns.¹³

13. Discipline and Disbarment

(a) *General.* From the earliest days and consequent upon their exclusive right to call to the Bar and thus confer exclusive rights of audience in the superior courts,

¹ *Post*, pp. 663, 664, 675, 679, 681.

² For further examples, see next paragraph, and *passim*.

³ See *ante* p. 6.

⁴ 5BB.299, 307.

⁵ *Post*, p. 656. The last meeting of the old Joint Committee on the Interests, etc. and the first of the new Inns of Court Executive Committee took place on May 28th, 1962. Early reports of the latter are to be found on pp. 670, 685.

⁶ 5BB.311, 312.

⁷ Appended to Annual Statement 1931. See *post*, p. 313.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 514–515; and see *post*, pp. 559, 612.

⁹ See 5BB.xxii.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 78, 132.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 226.

¹² *Post*, pp. 267, 272.

¹³ *Post*, p. 641.

the Inns of Court were invested with power to discipline and if need be to disbar those called. The exercise of this power was subject to an appeal to the judges as visitors.¹ When the period began complaints, if not rejected at the outset,² were investigated by a special council or committee of three or four Benchers.³ From 1954, shorthand notes were taken at these hearings.⁴ In 1930 there was a review of the procedure leading to an investigation by and hearing before a much larger special council.⁵ It was also debated whether any member of the Council could be excluded who wished to attend.⁶ Complaints might come from a judge,⁷ the General Council of the Bar,⁸ or from members of the public.⁹ Conviction for a criminal offence resulting in a sentence of imprisonment almost always led to disbarment.¹⁰ Most of such cases are very briefly referred to in the text.¹¹ Where a sentence of less than disbarment was imposed, the convicted but continuing barrister was in the early period referred to by initials,¹² but later he was named, as in the remarkable case of W.R. Bisschop.¹³ An important step was taken in May 1957 with the setting up of a system by which disciplinary authority over barristers was entrusted to a Joint Disciplinary Board of the four Inns in lieu of the Benchers of individual Inns. In the following October a code of procedure for the joint body was adopted.¹⁴ Each Inn retained the power and duty of disciplining its student members.

(b) *Cases.* Two cases may be specially mentioned. Each has been in the public domain for many years. In each the member was expelled or disbarred twice

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	26 Jan. 1923	Called by Lincoln's Inn. Aged 21. A native of Sierra Leone
	20 Apl. 1927	Name struck off the roll of Barristers and Solicitors in Sierra Leone. Appeal to Privy Council.
	18 May 1928	Appeal dismissed. Case fully reported: [1928] A.C. 344
285	18 Dec. 1928	M. disbarred by Lincoln's Inn
301	16 Dec. 1930	Plea by M's wife. No action possible.
358-360	31 Jan. 1936	Petition for reinstatement granted.
392	18 Apl. 1939	M. struck off the roll of the Court of Lagos, Nigeria, "for infamous conduct in a professional respect."
400	3 Nov. 1939	M. disbarred by Lincoln's Inn
	19 Apl. 1948	Reinstatement refused.

¹ See *post*, p. 297.

² E.g. *post*, pp. 190 and 340.

³ There is no objection to a Benchers who is a High Court Judge being a member of the Discipline Committee: *post*, pp. 526-527.

⁴ *Post*, p. 592. But see p. 297: such notes asked for by the Visitors in 1930.

⁵ *Post*, p. 296.

⁶ *Post*, p. 423.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 309, 310. Complaint from the Chief Justice of Jamaica dismissed.

⁸ *Post*, p. 100. Complaint against Mr. W.H. Upjohn, K.C. See chronicle *post*, p. 55-59.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 83, 190, 216, 247.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 94, 114.

¹¹ For an exception, see *post*, pp. 133-135, 148.

¹² *Post*, 77-78.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 247-248.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 622, 632.

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	12 Jan.	1939	Admitted by Lincoln's Inn, aged 20
441, 444	28 Jul.	1942	Reported having pleaded guilty to smuggling charges
447, 450	1 Mar.	1943	Struck off by Special Council
470	6 Jun.	1944	Reinstatement refused.
484	24 Jul.	1945	Reconsideration of case recommended
489	26 Nov.	1945	Petition for reinstatement refused
497	27 May	1946	Appeal to Judges as Visitors dismissed
549-550	24 Mar.	1950	Consideration of reinstatement postponed until three years after call to Northern Ireland Bar.
558	3 Apl.	1951	Report of successful appeal to the Judges as Visitors. Marrinan reinstated and in November 1951 called to the Bar.
621	9 Apl.	1957	Charges to be formulated
621	1 May	1957	Report of correspondence with M.
623 &	5, 27-29		Public hearing of charges by Special Council.
Appendix 5	June and		Marrinan disbarred.
	1, 2 July		
	1957		

14. Foreign and Commonwealth relations. As is to be expected, the Inn played host to a number of visiting law conferences. The most important were the two visits of the American Bar Association in 1924 and 1957 which are dealt with elsewhere.¹ Before the second world war there were visits from the Quinquennial Anglo-American Conference,² Le Jeune Barreau of Brussels,³ and a group of Danish lawyers.⁴ For its part the Inn sent a delegate to the XIth International Penal and Penitentiary Congress at Berlin in August 1935, and to a Belgian Congress in 1937.⁵ On a more sombre note the Inn was appealed to for support of lawyers embroiled in the Spanish Civil War.⁶ After the war the Inn with the other Inns was host to the Anglo-French Conference in June 1947, to the International Bar Association in 1950, to the International Law Association in 1954,⁷ to the Commonwealth Law Conference in 1955 and to the Union Internationale des Avocats Conference in 1969.⁸ The Inn made or shared in the making of a gift of masonry to be incorporated in the new building of the Bar Association of New South Wales;⁹ of silver for the Karachi Bar Mess;¹⁰ of a copy of the printed Black Books for the Federal Supreme Court of India;¹¹ but declined to subscribe towards the provision of British Law Reports and text books for the Supreme Court of British Guiana.¹²

¹ See *post*, pp. 61, 70.

³ *Post*, p. 386.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 346, 374.

⁷ *Post*, p. 587.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 596-597, 617, 622, 627.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 653.

² *Post*, p. 366.

⁴ *Post*, p. 395.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 367, 368-369.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 513, 547, 549, 596, 685.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 645, 646, 650.

¹² *Post*, p. 657.

ADMINISTRATION

1. **Treasury Office.** In 1914 the principal servant of the Inn was the Steward, Alfred Weatherly Marriott. He had occupied the position since 1885 and was to continue until the end of 1920.¹ In May of that year a committee was appointed to consider what change was desirable in the administration of the affairs of the Inn and in particular the terms of appointment and qualifications of its principal officer.² In the course of its long report, accepted by Council, the committee recommended that the officer should be called the Under Treasurer, and have practical experience in the management of finance, house property and a large establishment of servants. In addition he should be a university man.³

Their choice fell on Reginald Percy Pfeiffer Rowe, then in his early fifties.⁴ Reginald Rowe, born in 1868 or thereabouts, had been educated at Clifton College, and Magdalen College, Oxford. He rowed for the University against Cambridge from 1889 to 1892, and in due course graduated M.A. At the time of his appointment in 1921 he had long been concerned with the management of Housing Societies and had wide interests in music and drama. He was a managing governor of the Old Vic and Sadler's Wells. He originated and prepared the scheme for recreating Sadler's Wells. The theatre was rebuilt in 1927–1931 with funds which he and Lilian Baylis had raised. He was knighted in 1934. He retired in early 1938, but continued to live in the Inn, in Old Buildings.⁵ He never married. On January 21st, 1945, he fell from a window of his flat, sustaining fatal injuries. At the inquest two days later a verdict of accidental death was recorded.⁶

Rowe was succeeded as Under Treasurer by the Chief Clerk, Norman Yorke Marriott, the son of A. Weatherley Marriott. His appointment followed the adoption by Council of a joint report of the Building and Finance Committees which redefined the terms of the office of Under Treasurer.⁷ N.Y. Marriott had joined the staff of the Inn in 1890 at the age of 19, and served the Inn for 56 years, apart from absence on war service in the first world war. He retired as Under Treasurer in December 1946.⁸ In a tribute on his retirement, the Treasurer (A.M. Latter, Q.C.) called attention to two outstanding features of his service. First, during the whole of his service he made virtually all the entries in the Black Books in his bold and legible script. Secondly, his service during the second world war in organising the air raid precautions went far to minimise the damage to the Inn by air raids. In this task he was assisted by his son Robert who acted as Night Watchman.⁹ During the entire war the Under Treasurer slept outside the Inn on only 10 nights.¹⁰

Marriott was succeeded as Under Treasurer by his Chief Clerk, Henry Charles Honess Fairchild.¹¹ Fairchild had joined the staff in 1922. He played a substantial role in the protection of the Inn during the war. He was Under Treasurer during the rest of the period, retiring in 1967.

¹ See *post*, p. 157. He died in 1928: *post*, p. 279.

³ *Post*, pp. 155–157.

⁶ WWW; death certificate (Rowe). DNB (Baylis).

⁷ *Post*, pp. 374, 375–376.

⁹ See *post*, p. 484.

² *Post*, p. 154.

⁴ *Post*, p. 160.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 373–374.

⁸ See *post*, p. 490. He died in March 1952: *post*, p. 568.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 505, 505–506.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 490, 497, 502.

In 1914 the office staff of the Under Treasurer consisted of three clerks, all male. They were, with dates of joining and retiring:

James Adolphus Clark 1882–1922 (died 1930)¹

Frank William Corn 1891–1933 (died 1952)²

Norman Yorke Marriott 1890–1946 (Under Treasurer 1937–1946)

On the retirement of J.A. Clark in 1922, H.C.H. Fairchild joined as the third clerk.³ On F.W. Corn's retirement in 1933, Frederick Cecil Coales joined as the third clerk.⁴ On Marriott's becoming Under Treasurer in 1938, Mr. L.W. Pilkington was recruited as third clerk,⁵ and on Fairchild's becoming Under Treasurer in 1947, Mr. Colin John Walker was similarly recruited.⁶

Until the end of 1965 the Black Books were kept in manuscript. The Inn had acquired its first typewriter in January 1923, and thereafter notices to Benchers, hitherto printed, were typed.⁷ For other communications and book-keeping manuscript continued to be used. At first there was only one typist, joined later by another.⁸

The Under Treasurer was required to live in the Inn in accommodation adjacent to the Treasury Office. In 1946 a small room was provided out of that accommodation for the use of the Treasurer.⁹ In 1958 extensive work including the rebuilding of the Under Treasurer's house was suggested, with work starting in 1960.¹⁰ In the event it was not until May 1961 that approval was given by Council for an expenditure of £12,000 for this project.¹¹

2. Finance. The financial year of the Inn ran from January 11th when the Treasurer for the year took office to January 10th in the following year. The three reports of the Economy Committee contain a wide ranging review of the Inn's financial affairs in 1916, disclosing an unsatisfactory situation as regards arrears of rents and dues.¹² At the beginning of 1921 the Chairman of the Finance Committee was asked to provide a statement for the year 1920. That was done at the meeting of November 2nd, 1921. At the Council meeting of April 25th, 1922 the system was inaugurated whereby the Treasurer of the previous year was required to make a financial statement for that year. In preparing the statement he was to be assisted by one of the junior Benchers. At the same meeting it was ordered that the two junior Benchers be appointed to check the silver in each year, a task that still continues,¹³ and the Wine Committee was ordered to arrange for one of its members to take stock of the wine in the cellars once a year.

Until 1930, annual statements were made in the manner started in 1922.¹⁴ In 1931 a full report of the Finance Committee was adopted. This introduced a more sophisticated system of accounting, involving budgeting and control of

¹ *Post*, p. 191, 195, 295.

⁴ *Post*, p. 326.

⁷ *Post*, p. 199.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 631, 636, 645.

¹² *Post*, pp. 97, 97–99, 99–100, 103. Appendix 1(b).

¹³ See *post*, p. 45.

¹⁴ 1920: p. 177; 1921: p. 191; 1922: p. 203; 1923: p. 215; 1924: p. 229; 1925: p. 248; 1926: pp. 267–268.

² *Post*, p. 569.

⁵ *Post*, p. 377.

⁸ See *post*, p. 603.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 652.

³ *Post*, p. 195.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 553, 554.

⁹ *Post*, p. 504.

expenditure.¹ In July 1934 the previous year's Treasurer reported the results of his year in a new and simpler form.² In 1935 it became a standing order that save in a case of urgency, no proposal involving expenditure would be voted on by Council before the Finance Committee had considered and reported on the proposal.³ With the coming of peace, the Society could again take a longer view of its investments and students deposits, and consider setting up a reserve fund for deferred repairs, and a sinking fund for expenditure in contemplation.⁴ In 1952 the Society's entire budget for the following year was estimated at around £70,000.⁵ Shortly afterwards the Finance Committee was authorised to make any necessary investments, subject only to reporting them to Council.⁶ Towards the end of the period a suggestion was made that the abbreviated accounts circulated to the Finance Committee might be circulated with the Council agenda. This was rejected by Council on the ground that such a wide circulation ran the risk of the document falling into the wrong hands.⁷

The Society naturally rewarded long and faithful service at any level with a pension on retirement, and, where appropriate, with a pension for his dependants after his death.⁸ The pension was formerly assessed by the Finance Committee in each case as it arose. In January 1922 the Society set up a pension scheme which was revised in 1933,⁹ and again in 1950.¹⁰

The Society's accounts were audited annually. In 1914 the Society's permanent auditor was Mr. A.F. Whinney (from 1919 Sir Arthur Whinney, K.B.E.). He had been appointed in 1901¹¹ and continued until his death in May 1927. In July 1927 Messrs Whinney, Smith and Whinney were appointed auditors subject to annual re-appointment.¹²

3. Chief Porter. The Chief Porter is a significant contributor to the day-to-day administration of the Inn. In 1914 the former colour sergeant James Brock had filled this role since 1900, and continued to do so until his death in 1929.¹³ H. Knight succeeded him, holding the office until his retirement at the end of 1938.¹⁴ He was followed by S.C. Warren who remained until his retirement in January 1963.¹⁵ J. Murphy replaced him and was the Chief Porter up to and beyond the end of the period.

FABRIC AND FUNCTIONS

1. Architect. In 1914 the Architect to the Society was Mr. John W. Simpson, F.R.I.B.A. He had been appointed in March 1905.¹⁶ He was President of the R.I.B.A. 1919–1921. In 1924 he was awarded K.B.E. in recognition of his work for the British Empire Exhibition at Wembley. With his partner, Michael Ayrtton, he was responsible for the stadium. He died on March 30th, 1933.¹⁷

¹ *Post*, pp. 305–308.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 532–533, 566.

⁷ *Post*, p. 686.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 187, 313, 328–329.

¹⁰ Vol. 47, pp. 410–413 (not extracted).

¹² *Post*, pp. 267, 268.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 387, 660.

² *Post*, p. 334.

⁵ *Post*, p. 573.

⁸ E.g.: *post*, pp. 324–325, 325.

³ *Post*, p. 339.

⁶ *Post*, p. 590.

¹¹ 5BB.350.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 291, 382.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 323.

He was succeeded as the Architect to the Society by Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, O.M., R.A. (1880–1960).¹ He, too, was President of the R.I.B.A., in 1933–1935. His works included the building of Liverpool Cathedral and of the new Waterloo Bridge, and the rebuilding of the House of Commons after the second world war. In the Inn he was consulted over the restoration of Stone Buildings and the modification of the war memorial.²

2. Surveyor. In 1932 Mr. Henley Cornford, a partner of Sir John Simpson, was appointed to act generally as the Surveyor to the Society, and specifically to supervise the activities of the Works Department.³ In 1938 he was re-appointed with some modification in his terms of service,⁴ and so continued until he was called up for war service.⁵ He was succeeded by Mr. Cuthbert Lake,⁶ who acted as Surveyor to the Society until his death in March 1947.⁷ Mr. Lake's firm, Cuthbert Lake and Sutton, were appointed Surveyors to the Society⁸ and continued so to act for the remainder of the period, principally in the person of Mr. Clapham, one of the partners. He was in demand for rental and property valuations and negotiations for purchases.⁹

3. Works Department. The Inn in 1916 had a permanent works staff of six, a carpenter, a bricklayer, and a plumber, together with a labourer for each.¹⁰ Casual labour was engaged as required. In the long vacation of 1914 38 men were engaged. After the air raid of 1915: 32. For the reconstruction of the Old Hall, there were a foreman, five master craftsmen and sixteen craftsmen.¹¹ In 1931 the economy sub-committee criticised the lack of supervision of the work done by the Inn's staff.¹² This was rectified by the appointment of Mr. Cornford as mentioned above. The Department continued to function during the second world war.¹³ By 1954 the Department had expanded to ten.¹⁴ Near the end of the period financial control over the Department was seen to be in need of improvement. A sub-committee of the Finance Committee was given executive power to reorganise the Department as they thought fit.¹⁵

4. Old Hall. By 1914 the Old Hall was little used and in a dilapidated condition. For 5 to 8 weeks in 1917 it was used for the Hospital and Ambulance Columns of the British Red Cross Society.¹⁶ In March 1918 it was used for lectures given to the first Cadet Battalion.¹⁷ With the coming of peace, the Ladies Night of the Union Society of London was held there.¹⁸ In 1922 it was used by the Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors for the hearing of claims respecting aircraft inventions.¹⁹

(a) *Structural repairs.* At its meeting on November 3rd, 1924 Council accepted the Architect's recommendation that a gradual but extensive structural repair of the entire hall should be undertaken, in the main by the Inn's staff under his

¹ *Post*, p. 332.

² *Post*, pp. 531, 535.

³ *Post*, p. 314.

⁴ *Post*, p. 379, and see *post*, pp. 392, 399.

⁵ *Post*, p. 414, and see *post*, pp. 438, 444.

⁶ *Post*, p. 414.

⁷ *Post*, p. 510.

⁸ *Post*, p. 511.

⁹ See, e.g., *post*, pp. 525, 537, 626.

¹⁰ Further Interim Report of Economy Committee (1916) para. 3. (See Appendix 1(b)).

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 285–286; illustration no. 6.

¹² *Post*, p. 305.

¹³ *Post*, p. 455.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 590.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 682, 684.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 111.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 121.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 133.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 193.

supervision with outside assistance as necessary.¹ Initially some parts were exposed for inspection following which a further report was presented to Council in June 1925,² and the work of restoration went forward. There was an interim report in April 1926.³ The restoration was completed by the middle of 1928. Some tables and other furniture were designed and made.⁴ An inscription was ordered to be placed on the building.⁵ The nature of the works is described in the Architect's reports, is summarised by Sir Ronald Roxburgh in the fifth volume of the printed Black Books,⁶ and receives a detailed account in the Architect's own book.⁷ The architectural history of the Old Hall was the subject of Sir John Summerson's Annual Address to the Ancient Monuments Society on June 22nd, 1983.⁸ This excellent paper corrects some of the historical dating in Roxburgh's account; notably it gives 1582 (not 1624) as the date of the lengthening of the original Hall, and 1720 (not late 18th century) for the ceiling alterations.

(b) *Re-opening*. On September 21st, 1928 the King's Secretary, Lord Stamfordham, conveyed the King's agreement to visit the Inn, accompanied by the Queen, on November 22nd for the purpose of opening the restored Old Hall.⁹ Unfortunately the King fell seriously ill on November 21st and was unable to undertake any public duties for several months.¹⁰ However the Queen, accompanied by the Duke of York (later King George VI) came and opened the Old Hall.¹¹ On December 19th the Society entertained at a supper in the Old Hall all those who had been closely connected with its repair.¹²

(c) *Furnishing*. In 1930 the Society acquired some furniture and accepted a gift of a clock for the two rooms adjoining the Old Hall.¹³ In 1931 the Society received and placed in the windows eight coats of arms in stained glass, the gift of a Bencher.¹⁴ Another window was supplied with eight coats of arms of Prime Ministers who had been members of the Inn.¹⁵ Yet others, including the figure of St Richard of Chichester and the arms of the see of Chichester, were given by Lord Blanesburgh.¹⁶

(d) *Use*. In May 1929 Council refused to allow the Old Hall to be used as a Polling Station in the impending General Election;¹⁷ but in 1937 its use as a polling station for the London County Council election was allowed.¹⁸ In April 1931 Council granted an application for the use of the Hall for a concert to mark the centenary of Joachim's birth,¹⁹ and also in July 1931 an application for its use for five performances of "Twelfth Night."²⁰ The Old Hall survived

¹ *Post*, pp. 220–221.

² *Post*, pp. 230–231.

³ *Post*, pp. 244–246.

⁴ *Post*, p. 274.

⁵ *Post*, p. 280.

⁶ 5BB.xxii–xxv.

⁷ *Some Account of the Old Hall of Lincoln's Inn*, by Sir John W. Simpson, K.B.E. (1928). A copy is held in the Library.

⁸ *Transactions of the Ancient Monuments Society*, No. 28 (1984) pp. 8–22.

⁹ *Post*, p. 280.

¹⁰ Kenneth Rose, *King George V* (1983) p. 355.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 282–284, a full account of the ceremonial proceedings.

¹² *Post*, pp. 285–286.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 296, 297–298.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 281, 304.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 327.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 366.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 288. The election led to the second Labour Government.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 371.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 304.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 309.

fairly well during the second world war, needing only some repairs to the roof.¹ From July 1944 it was used as a bankruptcy court.² After the war it was used regularly for lectures and examinations. It was also used on exceptional occasions. The Marrinan case was held there.^{2a} The Transport Tribunal was granted the use of it in December 1949.³ An important occasion was a reception in the Hall following the presentation of the colours to the Inns of Court Regiment by the Queen Mother.⁴ A remarkable occasion was the presentation of a "Medieval Disputation" which was afterwards broadcast by the B.B.C.⁵ Later the Hall was used for the staging of a retrial of the Scottish case of Madeleine Smith,⁶ and more conventionally, for the holding of a cocktail party.⁷

5. The Chapel

(a) *The building.* Throughout the period, and to the present day,⁸ the main structure of the Chapel has been unaltered since it was lengthened in 1882/3. The main fabric survived both wars. In January 1917 the heating boilers burnt out with the result that services had to be suspended until March to allow for their replacement by gas heating.⁹ That does not appear to have been completely successful. In 1926 the organ had to be repaired. One can infer that it had been adversely affected by the gas heating.¹⁰ Amplifiers were ordered to be tried in Hilary Term 1934, with what result does not appear.¹¹ After the second world war the organ and heating system continued to need attention.¹² In the long vacation of 1958 a substantial programme of redecoration was carried out.¹³

(b) *Windows.* The main features of the building that underwent change in the twentieth century were the windows. In the first place the windows were used to accommodate the Treasurers' coats of arms which were, of course, constantly growing.¹⁴ Secondly, the bomb in 1915 severely damaged all the windows then existing. A full description of the history and then state of the windows is to be found in the Memorandum of Robert Norton C.B.E., K.C. in November 1926.¹⁵ The stained glass was damaged and the clear glass broken by the blast from a flying bomb in 1944.¹⁶ The stained glass was repaired in 1947.¹⁷ The west window was reglazed in 1959 by the family of Viscount Maugham to a special design.¹⁸

(c) *Fittings and furnishing.* Two memorial tablets were added, one in memory of Viscount Haldane, Lord Chancellor and Treasurer,¹⁹ and the other in memory of Frederick Romain,²⁰ Chief Butler for 36 years. One request for a memorial was turned down.²¹ In 1935 new prayer books, hymn books and

¹ See, *post*, p. 68.

^{2a} *Ante*, p. 16.

⁴ *Post*, p. 595; see *post*, p. 26.

⁶ *Post*, p. 625.

⁸ An unobtrusive lift was added in 1998.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 250–251; and see *post*, p. 370.

¹² *Post*, pp. 508, 590, 638.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 82, 128.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 473–475. See *post*, p. 68.

¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 633, 638, 639.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 289.

²¹ *Post*, pp. 446–447. (Family of the late Col. F.H.L. Errington).

² *Post*, p. 472; and see *post*, p. 485.

³ *Post*, p. 547.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 543, 548, 597.

⁷ *Post*, p. 601.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 106, 108.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 329.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 629, 631, 633 (report).

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 256–258.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 517.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 281.

anthem books were purchased.¹ Three years later a new altar table was purchased in place of the existing table.² In 1939 the wives of the Benchers subscribed to provide a new altar cloth, cushions and a carpet for the Chapel.³

(d) *The Preacher*. In 1914 the Preacher was the Rev. Canon Henry Reginald Gamble.⁴ In October 1918 he became Dean of Exeter,⁵ but continued for some time as Preacher.⁶ Eventually he retired on January 31st, 1926.⁷ His successors during the remainder of the period were:

1926–1937. Canon Vernon Faithfull Storr (1869–1940).⁸

1937–1944. Canon John Kenneth Mozley, D.D. (1883–1946).⁹

1945–1954. Prebendary Christopher Cheshire (1882–1958)¹⁰

1954–1957. Rev. Michael Stancliffe (1916–1987)¹¹

1958–1959. Canon Roy McKay (1900–1993)¹²

1959–1971. Rt. Rev. Bertram F. Simpson, M.C., D.D. (1883–1971)¹³

(e) *The Chaplain*. The chaplain in 1914 was the Rev. Cecil B. Howard Knight. He became a chaplain to the forces in 1915.¹⁴ Thereafter until 1917 temporary chaplains were found. In 1917 the office of chaplain was merged with that of preacher.¹⁵ The office of chaplain was briefly restored in 1935 following a report of a sub-committee of the Chapel Committee which was adopted by Council on March 5th, 1935.¹⁶ The Rev. Eric Abbott was appointed chaplain in the following month to carry out the duties set out in a report of the Chapel Committee.¹⁷ Mr. Abbott resigned at the end of Trinity Term 1936 on taking up an appointment in Lincoln.¹⁸ He was succeeded as chaplain by the Rev. Randolph Vincent Greenwood Tasker.¹⁹ Owing to the need for economy after the outbreak of war, his services were ended at Christmas 1939.²⁰ The office of chaplain was not restored after the war. Thus occurred the ultimate disappearance of an office which at one time (1846–1860) had been held by the Rev. Frederick Denison Maurice, the famous preacher and social reformer.²¹ In 1929 the Society, somewhat hesitantly, contributed to a chair at King's College, London, in his memory.²²

¹ *Post*, p. 353.

² *Post*, p. 378.

³ *Post*, p. 392.

⁴ 5BB.387.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 125, 126.

⁶ *Post*, p. 200.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 237, 241. He died while still Dean in 1931.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 238, 239; resignation *post*, pp. 369, 370. Canon of Westminster 1931–1940.

⁹ Appointed: *post*, p. 372; resigned: *post*, pp. 466–467. Canon of St. Pauls: 1930–1941. The office of Preacher was vacant from October 1944 until April 1945: see *post*, pp. 466–467, 471, 479.

¹⁰ Appointed: *post*, p. 479; resigned: *post*, p. 586. Rector of Holy Trinity, Chelsea 1924–1945; Rural Dean of Chelsea 1932–1945; Prebendary of St Paul's Cathedral from 1941; Chaplain to the Speaker of the House of Commons 1946–1955.

¹¹ Appointed: *post*, p. 587; resigned: *post*, p. 616. Chaplain of Westminster School: 1949–1957. Canon of Westminster and Rector of St. Margarets: 1957–1969. Dean of Winchester: 1969–1986.

¹² Appointed: *post*, p. 628; resigned: *Post*, p. 632. Head of religious broadcasting: 1955–1963.

¹³ Appointed: *post*, p. 662. Bishop of Southwark: 1942–1958.

¹⁴ See *post*, p. 53.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 108, 109–110.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 342–345.

¹⁷ *Post*, pp. 346, 346–347.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 361.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 364. Rev. R.V.G. Tasker, D.D. (1895–1976) Professor of New Testament Exegesis, Kings College, London.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 405.

²¹ 5BB.lxxii. (1805–1872). A memorial service was held in the Chapel in 1948: *post*, p. 527.

²² *Post*, p. 287.

(f) *Choir and Organist.* In 1914 the organist was Mr. Reginald Steggall. He retired in December 1936,¹ and was succeeded by Mr. C.H. Trevor as from June 24th, 1937.² Mr. Trevor continued as organist until his resignation on September 29th, 1964.³ Mr. Christopher Regan was appointed in his place.⁴ The choir in 1914 consisted of six men and 12 boys,⁵ the latter being educated at the City of London School.⁶ In 1917, following the Economy Committee's recommendations, the number of services was reduced, with consequent reductions in the fees of the organist and of the men choristers. The boys were phased out; new boys were to be hired from time to time for the services.⁷ In 1934 the organist was paid an additional fee for extra services.⁸ With the coming of Mr. Trevor as organist and choirmaster, and the difficulty of finding suitable boys, the choir was reorganised. In November 1937 a choir of four men was tried.⁹ In December three lady sopranos were engaged.¹⁰ Some of the men served for many years.¹¹

(g) *Services.* (i) BETWEEN THE WARS. On Ascension Day 1923 a special service was held to mark the tercentenary of the consecration of the Chapel.¹² In the same year there were calls to make the ordinary services "more attractive and useful." A special committee was appointed which recommended a rearrangement of the seating. Other matters awaited the retirement of the Preacher.¹³ In January 1926 a Rota of Benchers to attend Chapel was set up.¹⁴ In March 1926 there were calls to improve the music. As an experiment the choir was moved into the organ loft. It was not regarded as an improvement, and the choir reverted to its original position.¹⁵ The position of the choir was again considered in 1933. At the same time additional services in Lent were held.¹⁶ In January 1934 a suggestion from the Preacher that there should be a collection or two in Lent was turned down.¹⁷ In the period before the war further minor adjustments to the programme of Sunday services were made.¹⁸

In this period there were developments in both the memorial service and the marriage service. The memorial service was considered by the same sub-committee which recommended the restoration of the chaplaincy. On memorial services the sub-committee recommended that on the death of a bencher his near relatives should be offered a service at the expense of the Inn.¹⁹ Occasionally in the period memorial services were held for non-benchers.²⁰

The marriage service produced a different problem. From 1754 when Lord Hardwicke's Act 1753 came into force until 1910 no marriages were celebrated in the chapel. From 1910 to 1935 seven marriages were celebrated. Then in

¹ *Post*, p. 370. He died in November 1938: *post*, p. 386.

² *Post*, p. 372. He was Professor of Organ at the Royal Academy of Music.

³ *Post*, pp. 672, 672-673, 673-674. ⁴ *Post*, pp. 674, 680.

⁵ Interim Report, July 11th, 1916, para. 14.

⁶ *Post*, p. 83.

⁷ *Post*, p. 108, and see the Preacher's comments at pp. 109-110.

⁸ *Post*, p. 331.

⁹ *Post*, p. 374.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 375, 378.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 383: Albert Cornish (43 years); *post*, p. 644: W. Lewington (34 years).

¹² *Post*, pp. 200, 204.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 200, 207.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 241.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 242, 243, 251.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 324, 327.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 330.

¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 336, 368.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 343.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 579: Sir Gilfrid Craig, solicitor; *post*, p. 666: Sir William Trower, solicitor; *post*, p. 682: Henry Esmond Chapman, barrister.

1936 the Registrar General stated that in future he would not enter copies of the entries in the Society's marriage register. In a long and careful review, a sub-committee of the Chapel Committee considered the Registrar General's objection to be well founded. The solution was to enter the details in the register of the parish church in whose ambit the Chapel lay, namely St Andrews Holborn.¹ With the willing cooperation of the Rector of St Andrews, subsequent marriages were entered in the marriage register of that parish.² In about 1950 St Andrews ceased to be a parish church on becoming a guild church, and as a consequence the Chapel fell within the ambit of St Alban, Holborn. Since then particulars of marriages in the Chapel have been entered in the marriage register of that parish.

(ii) DURING THE SECOND WORLD WAR. At the outset of the war, the Chapel Committee carefully considered the continuation of services and concluded that the services should be continued.³ It maintained this stance in July 1940,⁴ but in November of that year—after the Inn had suffered severe damage by bombing which was still continuing—the services had to be discontinued for the time being.⁵ The services were partially restored in November 1941,⁶ and fully restored in 1943.⁷

(iii) POST-WAR. In January 1947 the Chapel Committee recommended that the services continue as they were.⁸ An innovation in the following year was a Communion Service.⁹ Other topics brought before Council were reading the lessons,¹⁰ and recommendations for improving attendance.¹¹ Far the most revolutionary change was not in the service, but in the luncheon which followed. In 1955 Barristers attending a service were invited to join the Benchers at luncheon, subject to a number of conditions.¹²

(h) *Warburton Lectureship*. The Warburton Lectureship was founded in 1768.¹³ Since 1914 the following have delivered the lectures

From 1915. Rev. William Oesterley, D.D.^{13a}

1919. Ven. Robert Henry Charles, D.D.¹⁴

1923. Canon Vernon Faithfull Storr¹⁵

1927. Canon Simpson¹⁶

In 1931 a proposal was accepted that in future the lecturer should be appointed for two years only.¹⁷

From 1935. Canon Phythian-Adams, D.S.O., M.C., D.D.¹⁸

In 1939 Bishop Hensley Henson accepted an invitation to give the lectures but war intervened and they were never delivered.¹⁹ In 1942 the Bishop of Oxford

¹ *Post*, pp. 361–363.

⁴ *Post*, p. 410.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 451, 452, 456–457.

⁹ *Post*, p. 525; and see *post*, p. 638.

¹² *Post*, p. 601.

^{13a} (1866–1950). Professor of Hebrew at King's College, London. See *post*, p. 350.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 139. Archdeacon of Westminster.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 207. In 1917 he was appointed Preacher.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 269. Canon of Rochester.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 348. (1888–1967) Canon of Carlisle 1932–1958.

² *Post*, p. 363.

⁵ *Post*, p. 415.

⁸ *Post*, p. 508.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 540.

¹³ See 5BB.lxxiv.

³ *Post*, pp. 402–403.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 432, 435, 437.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 684.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 303.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 395.

agreed to hold himself ready to give the lectures "when the future becomes clearer,"¹ but he never gave the lectures. In May 1947 Council accepted a recommendation from the Chapel Committee to make efforts to commence the lectures from the next Michaelmas term.² The following series of lectures were given during the remainder of the period, each of two years or more.

From 1947. Dean of Chichester³

1949. Canon Adam Fox⁴

1952. Prebendary Eley⁵

1954. Dean of Winchester⁶

1956. Bishop Wand, K.C.V.O.⁷

1958. Bishop of Norwich⁸

1963. Canon Fenton Morley, Vicar of Leeds⁹

(j) *Inns of Court Regiment*. Immediately after the end of the second world war, Council granted a request by the Regiment to regard the Chapel as the chapel of the Regiment.¹⁰ In consequence the existing Field Piece memorial was dismantled, and the gun removed. In its place two memorial plaques, one for each war, were placed in the Chapel.¹¹ They were unveiled by the Marquess of Reading as Hon. Col. of the Regiment at a special joint service on Sunday, May 1st, 1949.¹²

On May 26th, 1954 the Queen Mother presented colours to the Regiment.¹³ They were later laid up in the Chapel during a joint Remembrance Day Service on November 10th, 1963.¹⁴ Council gave permission for a brass plate recording these facts to be placed in the Chapel.¹⁵

6. The Great Hall. Nothing appears to have been done to the fabric of the Great Hall during the Great War and the period immediately following. In 1921 additional lavatories, particularly to accommodate women, were provided in the Great Hall and also in New Square.¹⁶ Another practical improvement was the fitting of food lifts from the kitchen to each end of the Hall.¹⁷ In January 1924 there was a complaint of a troublesome draught.¹⁸ In 1931 the panelling in the Drawing Room was stripped and toned, and lights provided for the pictures there.¹⁹ Also before the second world war, there were added a flag-staff and flag on the roof of the building,²⁰ and two illuminated shields to the mantelpiece of the Council room.²¹ In 1924 the Society was given a water colour sketch of the Hall, painted by Philip Charles Hardwick, son and assistant of Philip Hardwick, the Architect of the Great Hall. The donor was the artist's daughter.²² After the second world war repairs to the roof were undertaken.²³

¹ *Post*, p. 443.

² *Post*, p. 512.

³ *Post*, p. 514.

⁴ *Post*, p. 541.

⁵ *Post*, p. 568. (1899–1970) Prebendary of St. Paul's: 1944–1960; Vicar of Kensington: 1948–1960; Bishop of Gibraltar: 1960–1970.

⁶ *Post*, p. 591.

⁷ *Post*, p. 614. (1885–1977) Bishop of London: 1945–1955; Canon and Treasurer of St. Paul's: 1956–1969.

⁸ *Post*, p. 631.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 662, 686.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 488.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 489, 508, 530.

¹² *Post*, p. 539.

¹³ See *post*, pp. 586, 587, 687–688.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 632, 666.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 687–688.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 168–169.

¹⁷ *Post*, pp. 210, 237, 268.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 210.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 309.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 350.

²¹ *Post*, p. 380.

²² *Post*, pp. 215–216.

²³ *Post*, pp. 592, 594–595, 597.

There was also some refurnishing and the purchase of new chairs.¹ In 1954 the stained glass windows in the benchers rooms were repaired and renewed.² The lighting of pictures was again considered in 1960.³ In the interest of safety, the statue of Queen Victoria at the south end of the Hall, together with the canopy, was removed.⁴

(a) *The Watts Fresco*. The condition of the fresco in the Hall was referred to the Picture Committee in 1921 but it made no recommendation.⁵ Its condition gave rise to concern five years later. The fresco was examined by Harold Speed (1872–1957), the well-known fresco and portrait painter. He advised the engagement of Mr. T.M. Wilson, an experienced fresco restorer. Restoration work was carried out by Mr. Wilson under Mr. Speed's guidance during 1927.⁶ A presentation was made to Mr. Speed on its completion.⁷ In the meantime the silver gilt cup presented to Watts by the Inn in 1860 was returned to the Inn by the generosity of his widow.⁸ In 1941, a time when close attention was being paid to the Inn's insurances, it was found that the fresco had been inadvertently insured against burglary, a fanciful risk. A return of premium was received from the insurance company.⁹

(b) *Armorial bearings*. In 1926 the Richmond Herald provided a blazon or description of the escutcheons of arms displayed in the Hall and Chapel.¹⁰ In the following year the arms of the Rt. Hon. Sir Joshua Strange Williams were ordered to be put up in the Hall. At the same time it was ordered that in future arms be placed only by order of the Bench. The following orders were made:

17 April 1928	Rt. Hon. Lord Sinha, K.C.S.I. Mr. Justice Maugham
4 November 1929	Rt. Hon. Sir Binod Mitter Mr. Justice Farwell
25 November 1929	Mr. Justice Bennett
31 March 1933	H.R.H. Prince George Rt. Hon. Sir Dinshah Mulla
25 July 1933	Mr. Justice Atkinson
31 January 1934	Mr. Justice Crossman Lord Justice Maugham (brought up-to-date)
11 June 1934	Lord Alness (Scotland) Lord Justice Best (Northern Ireland)
5 March 1935	Rt. Hon Sir George Claus Rankin
12 December 1935	Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C.
6 April 1937	Mr. Justice Simonds
14 June 1937	Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain, M.P.
31 January 1938	Mr. Justice Morton, M.C.

¹ *Post*, pp. 583–584, 587, 608. Although the arms of the Society were stamped on each chair, in the interests of economy the Treasurer's initials and date were carved only on the Treasurer's chair: *post*, p. 584.

² *Post*, p. 585.

³ *Post*, p. 648.

⁴ *Post*, p. 685.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 165, 174.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 251, 253–254, 265–266, 269. See the comment recorded at *post*, p. 470 (1944).

⁷ *Post*, pp. 271–272.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 235–236; and see 5BB.xii for the original presentation.

⁹ *Post*, p. 436.

¹⁰ For the Society's own Arms, see the article by Sir Robert Megarry (1995) 111 L.Q.R. 617.

After the war the making of ad hoc orders was replaced by general rules under which any benchers who became Treasurer, a member of the Privy Council or a High Court Judge should be invited to have his arms put in the Hall at his own expense.¹ This order was re-affirmed in the following year.² Subsequent appointments were added at the expense of the Society.³ For the future, Council ordered that the arms of Honorary Benchers were not to be placed in the Hall unless they were members of the Royal Family.⁴ The arms of Queen Mary were ordered to be placed immediately below those of King George V;⁵ at a later stage, the arms of Princess Margaret were added.⁶ A number of panels of stained glass with armorial bearings were placed in the windows in the Hall, Library⁷ and the Benchers rooms,⁸ in which operations Council relied heavily on the advice of their colleague, Arthur Cole.⁹

(c) *Kitchen.* The Inn through its kitchen under the Hall provided refreshments ranging from tea for the Benchers,¹⁰ through lunches daily, dinners during the dining terms including Grand Days, and special banquets as required. The principal members of staff in the kitchen were the Head Chef and the Kitchen Clerk. In December 1917 their wages were increased by ten per cent.¹¹ The Economy Committee's Reports contain a full description of the working of the kitchen during the Great War.¹² Owing to the work of the Economy Committee, in December 1918 the Kitchen Committee was able to report that the regulations of the Food Controller had been complied with.¹³ In December 1930 the Chef, then of advanced age, was pensioned off as an emergency measure,¹⁴ and the kitchen staff reorganised on an experimental basis.¹⁵ In July 1935, Mr. Tylor, the Kitchen Superintendent, resigned, and was replaced by Arthur Spencer George Mead.¹⁶ As the war ended in 1945, Council resolved to appoint a catering manager whose responsibilities would be wider than, but would include those of a Kitchen Superintendent. A Mrs Gladys Scott was appointed to the post, and in consequence, Mr. Mead was given notice.¹⁷ In 1952 the kitchen was reorganised in accordance with a scheme prepared by the Society's Surveyor, and new equipment purchased.¹⁸ In the following year the chef, David Beckford, died, and was replaced by Theodore Rosenau.¹⁹

(d) *Staff.* In 1914 the principal servants employed in the Great Hall outside the kitchen were three butlers, an usher and two vestibule porters. In 1920 the second butler and the usher resigned.²⁰ A reorganisation of the remaining staff ensued.²¹ On May 30th, 1925 the chief butler, Romain, died after 36 years in the post. The Bench resolved that a tablet to his memory be placed in the cloister beneath the Chapel.²² The upper vestibule porter also died at this time.²³ A further reorganisation of the staff took place.²⁴ Thereafter the succession of butlers (as disclosed in the Black Book) was as follows:

¹ *Post*, p. 527. Occasionally specific orders were made thereafter: *post*, pp. 625, 628.

² *Post*, p. 542.

³ *Post*, p. 570.

⁴ *Post*, p. 530.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 530, 531.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 625, 626.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 561, 578-579.

⁸ *Post*, p. 585.

⁹ See *post*, p. 586.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 188.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 118.

¹² *Post*, pp. 97-99, 103, 104.

¹³ *Post*, p. 129.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 300.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 304.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 352, 353.

¹⁷ *Post*, pp. 478, 480, 481, 483, 484.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 566.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 583.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 159.

²¹ *Post*, p. 159.

²² *Post*, p. 289.

²³ *Post*, p. 290.

²⁴ *Post*, pp. 291, 293.

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290, 291	1929	J. Clift	Wine Butler
		William Carpenter	Bench Butler
365-366	1936	Clift retires	
366		George A. Fisher	Chief Butler
368		Albert Hart	Second Butler
431	1941	G.A. Fisher retires (dies 1964: <i>post</i> , p. 669)	
		Albert Hart	Chief Butler
530, 536	1948	Albert Hart retires	
		T.R. Welch	Chief Butler
		E.W. Jones	Assistant Butler
639	1959	Welch retires; Jones resigns	
		F.W. O'Riordan	Assistant Butler
		S.W. Breakwell	Third Butler

In May 1946 rules for waiters were promulgated.¹ At this time the waiters were all male, but in 1965 there was a serious shortage of waiters, and waitresses began to be employed.²

In 1948 an annual staff party began to be held. A contribution was made towards the expenses from the funds of the Society.³

(e) *Meals.* The provision of lunches and dinners was regulated by a scheme of management set up in 1901.

Lunches were provided on any day when the Courts were sitting, for the Benchers in the Dining Room and for the barristers and students in the Refreshment Room, the eastern room in the basement of the Great Hall block.⁴ In 1921 a proposal that lunches should be provided in the Hall was turned down,⁵ but in 1925 it was accepted.⁶ Where the Hall of any Inn was in use for examinations, there were arrangements for members of that Inn to lunch in the other Inns.⁷ In May 1926 a lady barrister of Gray's Inn with chambers in New Square was permitted to lunch in Hall.⁸

Dinners were provided during the dining terms, but the numbers of students attending naturally fell off during the War. Accordingly, the number of clerks from the Steward's office to check the names of those dining was reduced from two to one.⁹ Dinners were provided for Benchers on Saturdays and Sundays.¹⁰ On Sunday during term time dinner was at 7 p.m.¹¹ From March 1921 Barristers were required to pay cash for dinners in Hall.¹² From November 1921 a Barrister with a guest could arrange a Mess and have the four places reserved on providing the four names to the Under Treasurer.¹³ In December 1931 the number of guests allowed at the Bar Table on Guest Night was increased to twenty¹⁴.

On the outbreak of war in September 1939, dining was suspended. Students, much diminished in number, kept terms by eating lunches. Owing

¹ *Post*, p. 496.

² *Post*, p. 685.

³ *Post*, pp. 522, 540, 624.

⁴ 5BB.346-348.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 164, 167.

⁶ *Post*, p. 237.

⁷ *Post*, p. 241, 242.

⁸ *Post*, p. 248.

⁹ *Post*, p. 112.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 151.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 154.

¹² *Post*, p. 168.

¹³ *Post*, p. 178. For women as guests and hosts, see *ante* p. 8.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 311. It had been fixed at 12 in 1921: *post*, p. 141.

to the shortage of food during and after the war, full dining was not restored until Michaelmas Term 1950,¹ though an occasional dinner was held in the meantime. One such, in December 1941, was improved by the gift of a dozen eggs from a bencher.² Later in July 1949, a Grand Day dinner was attended by the Duke of Edinburgh.³ When full dining was restored, a direction was published for the saying of grace.⁴ A short-lived innovation was the drinking the health of the Bar and students by the Bench.⁵ The Bar tables had their own ceremonies, put into writing by John Bowman in 1947.⁶

Invitations to lunch at the Bench Table were occasionally offered to non-benchers of the Inn: Sir Fred. E. Pritchard the Director of the Council of Legal Education from 1958 to 1968;⁷ county court judges while sitting in the High Court;⁸ the Chief Justices of India and Ceylon while staying in England.⁹ In addition, Judges of the Chancery Division who were benchers of other Inns, were invited to lunch as of course.¹⁰

An annual dinner for Law Tutors who are members of the Inn was inaugurated on May 25th, 1960.¹¹

(f) *Wine*. The reports of the Economy Committee in 1916 contain only one short paragraph relating to wine. "Since the war commenced only one purchase of wine and spirits has been made and the consumption of wine has diminished. The Wine Committee should be informed that as far as possible no further wine should be purchased for the present."¹² Between this report and the report of May 1931 there are only sporadic references to wine. In November 1917 Council approved specific sales of champagne and claret and the purchase of moselle.¹³ In 1920 it was decreed that champagne should only be served on Grand Nights.¹⁴ In April 1922 it was ordered that stock should be taken of the wine in each year, and that the 1896 port should be reserved for special occasions.¹⁵ In May 1931 Council accepted a report which called for a report from the Wine Committee as to the existing stocks, and set up a new system of accounting for wine stocks.¹⁶ In December 1931 Council accepted, subject to the consent of the senior messes of the Bar Table, that wine should be provided to the Bar in the same manner as to Benchers and students. The consent was not forthcoming.¹⁷ In 1934 there was concern for the temperature of the wine near an adjacent boiler; in the following year a proposal to convert a cellar in which to store white wine was accepted.¹⁸

With the coming of the war the consumption of wine fell; a large amount of wine was sold.¹⁹ Purchasing restarted in 1945 with the acquisition of three dozen Australian sherry.²⁰

A system of checking was set up in 1943.²¹ However, in the following year a thorough examination was made by Mr. Harman, K.C. and Mr. Wynn Parry,

¹ *Post*, pp. 552, 552–553.

⁴ *Post*, p. 597.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 642–643, 666.

¹² See e.g. *post*, p. 643.

¹³ Third and Final Report (December 2nd, 1916) para. 32.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 115, 117.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 306.

¹⁹ Sales: *post*, pp. 425, 441, 444, 452, 470–471; results of sales: *post*, pp. 452, 472.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 484.

² *Post*, p. 437.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 668, 670, 674.

⁸ *Post*, p. 662.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 637, 643.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 162.

¹⁷ *Post*, pp. 311, 313.

²¹ *Post*, pp. 448, 452.

³ *Post*, p. 541.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 520, 539.

⁹ *Post*, p. 647.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 190.

¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 338, 342.

K.C. who produced a report which led to book-keeping changes.¹ In 1960, a check by two benchers found the system to be "entirely satisfactory."²

7. Common Rooms. Barristers and students could also obtain refreshments in the common rooms at 7 Stone Buildings.

(a) 1880–1914.³ These rooms, formerly occupied by the Masters of the Exchequer, had since 1880 been made available to those members of the Inn who were willing to subscribe to their maintenance. In effect a club with rules was set up under the management of a committee of the subscribers, but subject to the general supervision of the Bench. By 1900 there were 709 subscribing members. The numbers fell off in the next decade, and accordingly the Bench consented to a change of rules in 1909 under which up to 100 barristers from other Inns with chambers in Lincoln's Inn could be admitted to membership by the committee. In 1912 students were excluded from membership.⁴ Before leaving this early period, we can look at the description of the Common Room which Sir Henry Newbolt, C.H. (1862–1938) gives in his autobiography. Newbolt entered Lincoln's Inn as a student in May 1882. He became a pupil of Thomas Tindal Methold,⁵ a conveyancer. He was called in 1887 and practised for ten years or so at the Chancery Bar. During that time he laboured at pedestrian tasks while waiting for recognition. He reported for the short-lived "The Reports", contributed to Mews Digest, and devilled for Ralph Neville, Q.C.⁶ The break came in 1896/1897 with the publication of "Drake's Drum" and other poems, to immediate and lasting acclaim. He left the Bar in 1898, never repenting of his decision, but not without regrets, as he explains.

"I found myself losing a society which had been friendly and stimulating. The Common Room of the junior Bar at Lincoln's Inn was a Club where in the middle of the day a member could be sure of as much good company and good conversation as he could find anywhere in London, and though we were all engaged more or less in the same kind of work, there was no danger of too much 'shop' forcing its way into the talk. The busy men took their lunch hastily and disappeared: those who stayed on were not only the more leisurely but decidedly the more interesting section—many of them were already undergoing the process of metamorphosis from practitioners into philosophers, public servants, or poets, and the more slightly they were attached to their profession the longer they would sit over their coffee and discuss the arts and crafts which are not controlled by the rules of a Trade Union."⁷

(b) *After August 1914.* Soon after the War began, and in response to a recommendation from the Bench,⁸ the committee of the Common Room

¹ *Post*, pp. 465–466, 471.

² *Post*, p. 642.

³ See generally 5BB.xliv, xlv.

⁴ *Post*, p. 151. There appears to be no reference to this in 5BB.

⁵ Bencher 1898.

⁶ 1848–1918 Bencher 1892. Judge, Chancery Division 1906–1918. And see *post*, p. 290.

⁷ *My World as in my Time*. Memoirs of Sir Henry Newbolt 1862–1932. (Faber and Faber, 1932) pp. 206, 207.

⁸ *Post*, p. 72.

allowed those Belgian and French advocates who had been permitted to use the Library also to use the Common Room.¹ Also, the committee had power to elect honorary members with permission of the Bench. A number were so admitted.² In November 1915 the death of the Manager was reported, and the committee enquired if the Inn could provide luncheons to the Common Room as to the Refreshment Room.³ The request was referred to the Kitchen Committee. In the latter part of 1922 the Common Room was redecorated.⁴ The readmission of students to membership of the Common Room was much discussed. As will be seen below the Bar resisted the general readmission but in October 1926 the Rules were altered to allow the committee to elect not more than 20 students at any one time.⁵

(c) *Students Common Room.* In November 1914 students petitioned to be readmitted as members of the Common Room. After consideration by the Buildings Committee and the committee of the Common Room as well as the Council no change was made.⁶ The matter remained thus from July 1915 until early in 1920. In that year a Special Committee was appointed to consider a petition of students for a Common Room. On March 17th, 1920, in the course of a very full report on the differing needs of the Home and the Overseas Students, the committee recommended the provision of a common room for students in the basement of No. 8 Stone Buildings, across the road from No. 7. Council accepted this recommendation and the room was opened in the following October.⁷ The death of the attendant, E. Hill, was reported in July 1929; that of his successor, B. Ireland, in October 1933.⁸

(d) *Later changes.* Some alterations were made in 1935.⁹ Some rooms in the basement of No. 7 adjoining the Barristers Common Room were allocated in part as a Students Common Room, and in part as an addition to No. 6 as chambers. The former students room in No. 8 was let. In 1938/39 a more radical change occurred. The Barristers Common Room was moved to a room in the Hall where it still is.¹⁰ The students room in No. 7 Stone Buildings remained there. When the war came the accommodation in the basement of No. 7 Stone Buildings was requisitioned for war purposes. It was derequisitioned in 1945, and was reinstated as a students common room.¹¹ In 1954 the suggestion was made to move the students room into the disused refreshment room in the Hall adjacent to the Barristers common room.¹² A sub committee of the Buildings Committee found this to be feasible at a reasonable cost.¹³ Its report was accepted by Council though some delay occurred in carrying it out owing to the need to repair the roof of the Hall.¹⁴

(e) *Hall of Residence.* In the first half of 1929 the Inns were invited to support an initiative of the Chairman of Barclays Bank for the establishment of a Hall of

¹ *Post*, p. 76.

² *Post*, p. 76 (Nov. 1914) Robert Wilberforce. *Post*, p. 131 (Jan. 1919) Lieut. Nevett, M.C. *Post*, p. 192 (June 1922) Under Treasurer, while remaining in office. *Post*, p. 196 (Nov. 1922) Major Denton.

³ *Post*, p. 86.

⁴ *Post*, p. 195.

⁵ *Post*, p. 251.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 74, 79, 82, 84.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 151-153, 160.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 290, 326.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 342, 352.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 393, 394-395.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 482.

¹² *Post*, p. 585.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 588-589.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 592.

Residence for British male students of European origin from the Dominions and Colonies. The objective was endorsed by the Inns and the Council of Legal Education, and resulted in the building of a students hostel in Mecklenburgh Square in which law students and other overseas students could be accommodated while studying in London.¹ Known as "London House" it is still open.

8. Library.²

(a) *General management.* A chronic problem in the management of libraries is shortage of shelf space. In 1930 up to 300 books, selected by Sir Frederick Pollock were removed to the room adjoining the Old Hall.³ A more ambitious project was carried out in the following year, by refitting the Old Court Room to accommodate over 10,000 additional volumes at a cost of £683.⁴ In 1997–1999 as part of a scheme of reconstruction of the Great Hall these fittings were removed, and the books rehoused in deeper accommodation at a very much greater cost. In 1920 smoking and the striking of lights in the library was forbidden.⁵ There were exceptions where the library was used for dessert after dinner on Grand Days and Call Days.⁶ A member of the library staff was not expected to be present on such occasions.⁷ In 1923 extra lamps were fitted.⁸ In 1927 an exhibition of valuable manuscripts was considered inadvisable.⁹ However, in 1933 on the occasion of an "At Home", the Library was closed at 4 p.m. and the first volume of the Black Books and the Golden Book were exhibited there "under the care of the librarian."¹⁰ Early in 1939 the vacation opening hours were set at 11–4;¹¹ after July 31st, 1961, all Saturday openings were discontinued.¹² In January 1938 a proposal was made for a joint committee of the four Inns to share the acquisition of material from the British Commonwealth and the U.S.A. After a year of meetings and a report from the Librarian of Lincoln's Inn, the joint committee concluded that "there was no possibility of framing a scheme which would give effect to the proposal."¹³ Years later, in 1964, the Inns adopted a scheme which avoided the sending of all copies of popular legal journals for binding at the same time.¹⁴

(b) *Upkeep.* Binding costs were increased for 1932.¹⁵ The increase was mitigated by two gifts of cash for binding.¹⁶ In 1934 a scheme of annotating the Law Reports was undertaken.¹⁷ During the second world war, special care was taken by the Librarian and his assistant of the collection of engravings and manuscripts, and of the Black Books themselves.¹⁸

(c) *Acquisitions.* The most notable acquisition was not a book but a table designed by Pugin for the Great Exhibition of 1851.¹⁹ It underwent a major

¹ *Post*, pp. 286, 287, 288–289. A more ambitious scheme after the war did not come to fruition: see *ante*, p. 9.

² Appendix 8 contains an account of the Library during the second world war by the then Librarian.

³ *Post*, p. 300.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 308, 309.

⁵ *Post*, p. 159.

⁶ *Post*, p. 574.

⁷ *Post*, p. 657.

⁸ *Post*, p. 206.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 264, 265.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 327.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 390.

¹² *Post*, p. 644.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 379, 386–387.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 671. For over a decade now there has been in existence a standing joint library liaison committee which has achieved much harmonisation.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 311.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 466, 572.

¹⁷ *Post*, pp. 329, 330.

¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 422, 456.

¹⁹ *Post*, pp. 209, 211.

restoration in 1987, the cost being met by the Lincoln's Inn Heritage Fund with the aid of a grant from the Heritage of London Trust. The original glass cover had disappeared in the interim, and a replacement was supplied in the restoration. Two important manuscripts were acquired in this period. The note-books of John Glanville were acquired by purchase in 1924 for £20.¹ Three years later a Year Book and similar matter of the fourteenth century was purchased.² In 1944, an award of the King's Council in 1528, signed by Thomas More was presented to the Inn.³ Among the many printed books presented in the period, the following are especially noteworthy:

Alexander Grammaticus (1498)⁴

Thomas More: Works (1st ed.1557)⁵

Thomas More: Utopia (1st ed.1516)⁶

Selden: Mare Clausum (1st ed.1635)⁷

Rastell's Entries (1596)⁸

Shakespeare: Second Folio⁹

Poly-Olbion

Arabiniana¹⁰

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Coming to more modern material, in 1928 a copy of the latest revision of the Federal Statutes of the United States of America was presented by the Library of Congress.¹² In 1949 copies of the Restatement of American Law and the Corpus Juris and the Corpus Juris Secundum of the United States;¹³ and in 1958 the Louisiana Legal Archives and Louisiana revised Statutes 1950¹⁴ were received by the Society as gifts. An offer by the Misses Mary and Charlotte Thorpe to sell a manuscript entitled "Lincoln's Inn Men" was declined.¹⁵ The work was later accepted as a gift, and is now in the Library.¹⁶

(d) *Disposals.* In 1919 a number of books were given to assist in the reinstatement of the library at Louvain in Belgium. Sir Frederick Pollock's proposal that the consignment should include "Summa Angelica de casibus consciencie" printed in Flanders in 1490 was defeated.¹⁷ In November 1920 a copy (one of three held by the Library) of "Remarks on the Law of Descent" written by William Osgoode, subsequently the first Chief Justice of Upper Canada, was presented to the Law Society of Upper Canada. It seems that at that time no copy could be found in Canada.¹⁸ In 1927 the question whether to bind

¹ *Post*, p. 211.

² *Post*, p. 264. MS Misc.738 (Edward I). See Paul A. Brand *the Earliest English Law Reports* Vol. 1 (London: Selden Society, 1996), pp. lxxxii-lxxxv.

³ *Post*, p. 464.

⁴ *Post*, p. 692.

⁵ *Post*, p. 341.

⁶ *Post*, p. 464.

⁷ *Post*, p. 600.

⁸ *Post*, p. 449.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 646, 647. This and the next item were a bequest.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 380. This compilation of the eccentric dicta of Serjeant Arabin was published in 1843, reviewed by the Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock in 1911 (reprinted in *Essays in the Law* 1922), and revived, added to and rewritten by Sir Robert Megarry in 1969 as *Arabinesque-at-Law*.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 654.

¹² *Post*, p. 279.

¹³ *Post*, p. 541.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 627.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 143, 148, 149.

¹⁶ Library committee minutes of April 19th, 1921.

¹⁷ *Post*, pp. 129, 140.

¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 162, 163.

further copies of the Black Books (Vols 1–4) was raised, the presentation of free copies to Benchers was discontinued, and prices were fixed for future sales.¹ Copies continued to be given to other libraries.² In 1953 a number of mainly non-legal books were disposed of, mostly to other institutions.³

(e) *Losses*. In July 1930, following the discovery that books were missing and the recovery of three in a mutilated condition from a second-hand bookseller, a watch was kept. The thief was caught red-handed and given into custody.⁴ In 1943 it was stated that no books had been lost as a result of enemy action,⁵ nor were they thereafter.

(f) *Loans*. Five loans of manuscripts and rare books were made in the period.⁶ The first was the Hale MS. 104–(114) which was lent to the Bodleian Library at the request of Dr. Craster.⁷ The Librarian of Lincoln's Inn provides the following note.

Hale MS 114 (or 108 in the numeration, not generally used, of Joseph Hunter's 1838 printed catalogue), the *Red Book of Durham*. It is a fifteenth century manuscript from Durham Cathedral Priory containing various pieces relating to the history of the sees of Durham and Lindisfarne, and is among the most noteworthy of the Library's manuscripts. The loan to Craster was for the purpose of comparing it with another manuscript of one of the pieces in the Bodleian Library (Laud Misc.748). A full description of the manuscript, which remains one of the main sources of reference on it, resulted: "The Red Book of Durham" *English Historical Review*, vol. 40, 1925, pp. 504–532.⁸

The second loan was of a manuscript of Selden's *Table Talk*.⁹ The Selden Society was granted permission to publish a transcript of the manuscript which had formerly been the property of James Claude Webster (1819–1908), a barrister of the Middle Temple and the Secretary of the Athenaeum Club from 1855 to 1889.¹⁰ In 1909 the manuscript came into the possession of the Inn, presumably from Webster's widow, as it was purchased from her in February 1910. Sir Frederick Pollock prepared the transcript which was published by Quaritch for the Selden Society as an occasional publication in 1927. The work includes the DNB entry for Selden by Sir Edward Fry.

The third loan was of Hale Manuscript 87, the *Chartulary of Battle Abbey*, to the British Museum for a short period in 1936.¹¹

¹ *Post*, pp. 268, 269.

² *Post*, pp. 338, 341.

³ *Post*, pp. 584, 591.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 298–299. *Furtum manifestum*: one of the books stolen was Buckland's *Textbook of Roman Law*.

⁵ *Post*, p. 451.

⁶ A request from the Walker Art Gallery in Liverpool for the loan of some of the Society's manuscripts for the Gallery's Coronation Exhibition was refused; "nothing suitable available." (1953) *post*, p. 576, 577.

⁷ *Post*, p. 225. H.H.E. Craster, later Sir Edmund (1879–1959), was at the time Sub-Librarian of the Bodleian. He subsequently became Keeper of the Western Manuscripts and was Bodley's Librarian from 1931–1945.

⁸ Offprint held in the Library.

⁹ *Post*, p. 243.

¹⁰ On Webster, see (1908) 43 *Law Journal* 666.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 365, 366.

The other two loans were of Coke's First Institute and other contemporaneous works, for the Jamestown Festival, Virginia, U.S.A. in 1957,¹ and for the 350th anniversary celebrations held in Bermuda in 1959.²

(g) *Staff.* In 1914 the staff of the Library consisted of:

A.F.G. Etheridge	Librarian
W.F.C. Suter	Sub-Librarian
H.I. Whitaker	Assistant Librarian
Tom Hodgkinson	Assistant in the Library ³

The last served throughout the War in the armed forces, returning to the Library on March 5th, 1919.⁴

In early 1920 the Librarian had fallen ill.⁵ He died in the latter part of that year.⁶ In consequence, Whitaker became the Librarian, Suter became Deputy Librarian, and Hodgkinson Assistant Librarian.⁷ At this time the Library Committee considered that the library was overstaffed with four; three were considered adequate.⁸ On January 17th, 1927 the Librarian died suddenly in the Library.⁹ In consequence, Suter was appointed Librarian, Hodgkinson Deputy Librarian, and C.W. Ringrose was recruited as Assistant Librarian.¹⁰ A plea that the Librarian should have such qualifications as are expected of the librarians of colleges in the Universities was rejected.¹¹ Suter retired in 1932, and Hodgkinson was appointed Librarian in his place, the committee stressing that it was as a result of his merits and not as a matter of course.¹² Ringrose remained as Assistant Librarian with an increased salary.¹³ Shortly afterwards J.P. Beavan was appointed junior library assistant.¹⁴ The staff at this time also included a porter, H.W. Green, later Keogh, who assisted in the repair of books.¹⁵ From 1938 the Library staff were provided with lunch, as was being done for the rest of the staff.¹⁶ W.H.T. Satchwill joined as third librarian from February 20th, 1951.¹⁷ At the end of that year Hodgkinson retired after 50 years service, and was succeeded as Librarian by Ringrose.¹⁸ The appointment of a new junior assistant librarian was authorised.¹⁹ In July 1963, P.C. Beddingham was appointed an assistant Librarian.²⁰

(h) *Statue of Lord Erskine, L.C.* This statue by Sir Richard Westmacott, R.A. has been in the centre of the Library since 1885.²¹ Previously it had stood in the Old Hall. In 1916 the suggestion was made that it might be transferred to the

¹ *Post*, p. 616.

² *Post*, p. 635.

³ Economy Committee's Third and Final Report, Dec. 2nd, 1916, para. 28.

⁴ *Post*, p. 136.

⁵ *Post*, p. 148.

⁶ *Post*, p. 162.

⁷ *Post*, p. 167.

⁸ *Ibid.* The Economy Committee had first made this suggestion: Third and Final Report (December 2nd, 1916) para. 31.

⁹ *Post*, p. 263. He was 64 years old, and had spent 50 years in the service of the Inn. His wife had died 16 months earlier: *post*, p. 235.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 263–264, 264.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 264.

¹² *Post*, p. 314. Suter's death was reported in January 1935: *post*, p. 339.

¹³ *Ibid.*

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 318, 322.

¹⁵ *Post*, p. 326; and see *post*, p. 546.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 379.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 549.

¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 562, 565. Hodgkinson's death was reported in November 1958: *post*, p. 634.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 567.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 665.

²¹ SBB.243.

Royal Courts of Justice. A special committee appointed by the General Council of the Bar considered the position.¹ The Inn's Council had proposals on two occasions that the statue should be moved, but neither was carried.²

(j) *Visitors.* In general, the library was open only to members of the Society. Exceptions were made in favour of the members of the other Inns on particular occasions.³ A proposal in 1962 that members of the other Inns should be generally admitted was rejected.⁴ A number of individuals and groups were allowed to use the facilities of the Library, especially during and immediately after the two world wars. In the first war they included a legal adviser to a French delegation in England;⁵ law students in the Australian forces stationed here;⁶ American graduate students visiting Great Britain;⁷ and members of the Russian bar exiled here.⁸ In the second war, lawyers of allied countries were admitted at the request of their ambassador;⁹ and occasionally so was H.M. Inspector of Taxes.¹⁰ In peace time the occasional use of the library by continental lawyers was permitted.¹¹

9. Other Buildings. We now look at the buildings in Stone Buildings, Old Square, Old Buildings and New Square which were for the most part let out as professional chambers and residential apartments.

(a) *Conversion.* The conversion in 1917–19 of a number of sets of chambers on the upper floors into residential apartments is described elsewhere.¹² Some ten years later a building in New Square in front of the Kitchen Garden was removed and replaced by a new building in the south-east corner of the Kitchen Garden, thus opening up the garden to view from New Square. It was separated from New Square by railings presented by Mr. Justice Tomlin and designed by his son, Stephen.¹³ In 1946, with many students or potential students returning from the war, the former common room in No. 7 Stone Buildings was let to the Council of Legal Education for conversion as offices, lecture rooms and a common room for students from all four Inns.¹⁴

(b) *Acquisitions.* In 1929 the Inn acquired the important site comprising 77 & 78 Chancery Lane and 1–7 Bishop's Court from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners.¹⁵ In 1955 the Society purchased the leasehold interest of Studd & Millington Limited in 76a & 76b Chancery Lane.¹⁶

The Society also acquired a number of sets of chambers in New Square, previously in separate freehold ownership.¹⁷

¹ *Post*, p. 109; and see *post*, p. 94.

² *Post*, pp. 137, 138 (1911); *post*, p. 322 (1933).

³ *Post*, pp. 339, 340 (1955); revised *post*, p. 568 (1952).

⁴ *Post*, p. 659.

⁵ *Post*, p. 94.

⁶ *Post*, p. 133.

⁷ *Post*, p. 148.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 175, 177

⁹ *Post*, p. 409.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 411.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 673.

¹² *Post*, p. 53.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 255, 258, 267, 274, 275, 284.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 494. See *ante*, (p. 31) *et seq.* for its former use.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 273, 278, 280, 286.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 600, 603.

¹⁷ For the effect of this policy on the Inn's liquid funds, see *post*, p. 532.

- 1923 No. 6, 2nd floor¹
 No. 7, 2nd and 3rd floors²
 No. 4, 2nd, 3rd and 4th floors³
 1924 No. 7, part, and 51 & 52 Carey Street⁴
 1927 No. 5, 1st floor, W.⁵
 No. 3, 2nd and 3rd floors, S.⁶
 1933 No. 4, 1st floor E.⁷
 1938 No. 3, Ground floor and basement, N.⁸
 1939 Nos. 9, 10, Ground floor and basement.⁹
 No. 8, Ground floor and basement, S.¹⁰
 1944 No. 2, Ground floor and basement, S.¹¹
 1945 No. 8, Ground Floor and Basement, N.¹²
 1948 No. 1, 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors, N.¹³
 1957 No. 2, Ground floor and basement, N.¹⁴

In addition, the reversions to two sets subject to life interests elsewhere in the Inn fell into possession, viz. No. 13 Old Square, 2nd floor S.,¹⁵ and No. 3 Stone Buildings, ground floor and basement.¹⁶ Finally, towards the end of the period, in 1961–2, Council gave approval for the expenditure of about £12,000, on a new house to be built for the Under Treasurer,¹⁷ and approved in principle a long term building policy.¹⁸ The formulation and carrying out of this policy was entrusted to a New Building Executive Committee.¹⁹ Their proposal was to build in the north garden, and also to rebuild the south tower of the old gateway, part of Old Buildings and Bishop's Court.²⁰ In October 1965 it was reported that an Office Development Permit had been obtained for the latter project.²¹

(c) *Repairs and improvements.* A description and analysis of ordinary running repairs undertaken by the Inn is in the Further Interim Report of the Economy Committee.²² In 1919 major repairs and partial rebuilding of No. 23 Old Buildings were undertaken.²³ In 1921, prompted by the admission of women, the lavatory facilities were improved and increased.²⁴ The Inn was substantially damaged during the second world war. The extent of the damage and the ensuing repairs are dealt with elsewhere.²⁵ In the post war period an annual sum of £18,000 was earmarked for maintenance and repairs.²⁶ Major works and improvements included the rebuilding of the gateway into Chancery Lane,²⁷ the replacement of the main gate into Lincoln's Inn Fields,²⁸ the construction of a silver room,²⁹ and the rebuilding of the north and west boundary walls.³⁰

¹ *Post*, p. 205.² *Ibid.*³ *Post*, p. 206.⁴ *Post*, p. 223.⁵ *Post*, p. 267.⁶ *Post*, p. 272.⁷ *Post*, p. 322.⁸ *Post*, pp. 374, 375, 377, 385, 387.⁹ *Post*, pp. 393, 394, 398.¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 395, 400.¹¹ *Post*, p. 476.¹² *Post*, pp. 480, 484.¹³ *Post*, pp. 513, 514, 536.¹⁴ *Post*, p. 626.¹⁵ *Post*, p. 175.¹⁶ *Post*, p. 211.¹⁷ *Post*, pp. 646, 652. It was completed in 1962.¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 652, 657.¹⁹ *Post*, pp. 659–660, 667.²⁰ *Post*, pp. 682–683, 684.²¹ *Post*, pp. 684, 688. The development went ahead and was duly completed.²² *Post*, pp. 99–100; Report, paras. 1–10 (Appendix I(b)).²³ *Post*, p. 97.²⁴ *Post*, p. 168.²⁵ See Chronicle, *post*, pp. 65–66.²⁶ *Post*, p. 549.²⁷ *Post*, pp. 562, 599, 604, 608–611.²⁸ *Post*, pp. 614, 616, 619.²⁹ *Post*, p. 616.³⁰ *Post*, pp. 620, 631.

(d) *Rents*. Substantial and long standing arrears of rents were discovered by the Economy Committee in 1915, which also found that they were not being pursued beyond the occasional "solicitor's letter."¹ A review of rentals was presented to Council in January 1917.² Much later, in December 1929, a policy was adopted for the rents for new or renewable lettings.³ In 1943 professional tenants were asked for an increase of rent to the level of the 1929 valuation, if the existing rent was below that; residential tenants were asked for increases to the economic level.⁴ In 1947 a new rental valuation was prepared by the Surveyor which was applied to new lettings. Existing rents were increased by an amount fixed by the Treasurer.⁵ All the tenants accepted the increases so fixed.⁶ The rent of new tenancies granted after 1950 was assessed at 10 to 15% over the 1947 valuation.⁷ There was a further re-assessment in 1962.⁸ Concessions on rent during both wars are dealt with elsewhere.⁹

(e) *Rates*. The position of the Inn with regard to rates was special and complex, being governed by The Borough of Holborn (Lincoln's Inn) Scheme¹⁰ made under the London Government Act 1899 (62 & 63 Vict. cap.14). A query from the Town Clerk led to a full consideration of the position by a special committee which recommended against seeking any change in the Scheme during the continuance of the War.¹¹ Later a query arose concerning the liability of all the Inns to contribute towards the expenses of the Metropolitan Asylums Board which led to complicated investigations and was ultimately compromised.¹² A complaint by a member about the level of rates was referred to a Benchor who was a member of the Local Authority.¹³ In 1922 it seems that the Butler's apartment had to be sealed off from the Hall to avoid the whole of the Hall and Library becoming liable for Inhabited House Duty.¹⁴ At the same time the tenants had to accept liability to pay water rate individually if a large increase in the charge was to be avoided under a new Water Board Act.¹⁵ In 1938 the remission of half water rate to members of the Inn occupying professional chambers in the Inn was discontinued.¹⁶

(f) *Fire and burglary*. A letter from a tenant¹⁷ following the air raid in 1915 alerted Council to the need for reinforcing protection against fire. A scheme for night watching was established.¹⁸ In 1923 the fire appliances were inspected and found to be seriously deficient.¹⁹ Later that year a fire broke out on the 1st floor of No. 6 Stone Buildings which was well dealt with by the Fire Brigade.²⁰ On April 24th, 1924 the Under Treasurer reported to Council that a burglar had been caught attempting to break into No.2 Stone Buildings.²¹ On January 31st, 1947 a fire broke out at 24 Old Buildings.²²

¹ Further Interim Report, paras. 13-15.

² *Post*, p. 105.

³ *Post*, pp. 294-295.

⁴ *Post*, p. 455.

⁵ *Post*, p. 525.

⁶ *Post*, p. 529.

⁷ *Post*, p. 556.

⁸ *Post*, p. 658.

⁹ See Chronicle, *post*, pp. 49, 64.

¹⁰ S.R. & O. No. 262 of 1901, classified as Local. A print is held in the Inn Archives: F2d47.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 104, 109.

¹² *Post*, pp. 214, 225-226, 228, 229, 251, 262, 270-272.

¹³ *Post*, p. 103.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 184.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 181, 184.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 382.

¹⁷ *Post*, pp. 88, 91.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 105.

¹⁹ *Post*, pp. 196, 199.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 206.

²¹ *Post*, p. 213.

²² *Post*, p. 510.

(g) *Nuisance*. No action was taken about a complaint concerning the parking of omnibuses in Lincoln's Inn Fields.¹ On the other hand, Council approved a suggestion that Holborn Borough Council be asked to plant trees to screen the new urinal in the Fields.²

10. Gardens and Walks.

(a) *Garden committee*. In the early part of 1921 William Aldridge, the gardener since 1883, retired.³ The new gardener, G. Pichelmayer, introduced by the new Under Treasurer,⁴ and supported by the Master of the Walks for that year⁵ and two or three other interested Benchers, undertook a thorough overhaul of the gardens. This activity was the subject of a full report by the Master of the Walks to Council.⁶ A Garden Committee was established⁷ and thereafter not many detailed matters concerning the garden were brought to the attention of Council. The felling of trees was an exception.⁸ In 1937 it was ordered that no tree in the Inn should be cut down without an order of Council.⁹ During the period the Committee were much assisted by three reports obtained from successive Curators of Kew Gardens.

1. 1945 Mr. W.D. Campbell.¹⁰

2. 1948 Mr. W.D. Campbell.¹¹

3. 1965 Mr. S.A. Pearce.¹²

(b) *Gardeners*. E. Wallington was appointed assistant gardener at about the same time as Pichelmayer's appointment.¹³ Pichelmayer tendered his resignation in June 1947.¹⁴ He was persuaded to stay on for a short while, but was not replaced until James Robinson was appointed in October 1952.¹⁵ In the mean time Wallington acted as head gardener. Robinson resigned in 1955.¹⁶

(c) *New Square garden*. A large area of the garden is contained within New Square. It comprises trees, grass, and flower beds which received much attention in 1921 and thereafter. In the centre is a water feature. In 1938 a large tree in the north west corner was removed.¹⁷ In 1941 the railings round the square and elsewhere in the Inn, and a German gun, were surrendered to the authorities for munitions.¹⁸ At the beginning of 1948 the Garden Committee reported that two of the *Ailanthus* trees ("Trees of Heaven") were dangerous. This was confirmed by the Curator's second report, reporting on all the large trees of the Inn. The two dangerous trees were felled.¹⁹ Alterations to the flower beds were carried out in 1948;²⁰ and other beds were grassed over in 1951 and 1954.²¹ In later years a plane tree, a May tree and four thorn trees were removed.²² Towards the end of the period the Curator's third report was obtained, and some imaginative replanting of trees and shrubs took place in New Square and elsewhere in the Inn.²³

¹ *Post*, p. 181.

² *Post*, p. 217.

³ *Post*, p. 171.

⁴ See *ante*, p. 17.

⁵ The Hon. Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 184-187, 193.

⁷ *Post*, p. 187.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 195, 208, 288, 308.

⁹ *Post*, p. 376.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 488.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 524-525.

¹² *Post*, p. 683.

¹³ See *post*, p. 581.

¹⁴ *Post*, p. 514.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 564, 573.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 602.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 380.

¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 432, 435, 438.

¹⁹ *Post*, pp. 523, 524-525.

²⁰ *Post*, p. 542.

²¹ *Post*, pp. 563, 591, 593: second recommendation.

²² *Post*, pp. 603, 604, 613, 651. And see *post*, pp. 660, 682.

²³ *Post*, p. 683.

(d) *Other gardens and walks.* In 1938 the two outer trees in a line of three trees between the Old Hall and Chancery Lane were taken out.¹ A small lime tree was taken out of the kitchen garden during the war.² Immediately after the war the Curator's first report was obtained. In consequence, a number of trees were removed from the sides of the avenue running north from the War Memorial to the Hall and Library. A large plane tree in the kitchen garden was trimmed. In 1956/57 a greenhouse and a potting-shed were acquired. At the same time the wicket gate into the North Lawn from the Fields was closed, with keys being supplied to members and tenants who desired them.³ As early as 1928 the presence of cars had begun to be felt.^{3a} In 1934 New Square was made into a one way road for traffic.⁴ Rules and charges for parking came by 1938.⁵ They were revised in 1951 and subsequently.⁶

(e) *Usage.* In 1920 a suggestion that the New Square gardens be opened for the use of members of the Inn and others was turned down.⁷ The admission of dogs was prohibited except on a lead.⁸ A petition to lay down tennis courts in the north lawn was rejected.⁹ Also requests to use the garden for sports such as football, cricket, and volleyball appear to have met with little response.¹⁰ The Girl Guides and Brownies were more successful in holding their sports and revels in the garden.¹¹ An application to erect a row of flats at the north end of the lawn was adjourned sine die.¹² A wartime request from the Law Society for a building site for a law school received encouragement, but nothing came of it.¹³ A more modest proposal for a fruit stall at the Chancery Lane gate was allowed.¹⁴ The nesting of a pair of ducks in 1930 in New Square was positively welcomed. The episode was described in an article contributed to *The Times* by the Under Treasurer.¹⁵ The article was ordered to be copied into the Black Books.¹⁶ The visit of an owl and a pheasant in the autumn of 1935 was similarly recorded.¹⁷ More typical visitors were guests at a Coronation garden party in 1937 and wounded soldiers in June 1944.¹⁸ On Sundays, access to the Inn was restricted.¹⁹

(f) *Legal.* The preservation of squares in London had been the subject of a Bill in 1905 from which the Inn was excluded.²⁰ The issue was raised again in 1931, and again the Inn obtained a large measure of exclusion by negotiation.²¹ In the following year the Inn was involved in proposals to revise the London Building Act. The Society did not oppose the Bill, having obtained satisfactory assurances concerning its interest in Lincoln's Inn Fields.²² Also in 1932 the Society was

¹ *Post*, pp. 376–377, 378.

² *Post*, p. 340.

³ *Post*, pp. 619, 620.

^{3a} *Post*, p. 278.

⁴ *Post*, p. 334.

⁵ *Post*, p. 382.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 556, 559–560, 652, 680.

⁷ *Post*, p. 153.

⁸ *Post*, p. 183.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 242–243.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 430, 513, 644–645.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 483, 608, 636.

¹² *Post*, p. 290. In recent years a set of chambers, Erskine Chambers, has been built in the north west corner.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 462, 463, 470.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 229, 233. The Library has some snapshots illustrating the stall and the gateway, and a copy of a tramway guide of c. 1930 depicting the stall on its cover.

¹⁵ Reprinted in Appendix 2.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 298.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 354.

¹⁸ *Post*, pp. 371, 466.

¹⁹ *Post*, p. 178.

²⁰ 5BB.361.

²¹ *Post*, pp. 303, 304.

²² *Post*, pp. 316, 325–326.

concerned with the Overground Wires Bill.¹ On Ascension Day 1928 the closing of the gates to the Inn was resumed, "as was formerly the custom."² The modern purpose was to prevent the creation of public rights of way; the original purpose is a matter of some doubt.³ In 1955 the Society received a report on the rights of way and other easements subsisting as between the Society and the New Square Proprietors.⁴

11. Portraits, silverware and other chattels. The Society has long been the recipient of portraits, *objets d'art*, silverware and so on.⁵ The twentieth century is no exception.

(a) *Acquisition of Portraits.*

Page Ref.	Date	Subject
80	Mar. 1915	Sir James Wigram, V.-C.
112	May 1917	Sir William Rann Kennedy
140, 163	Nov. 1919	Lord Buckmaster, L.C. (commissioned)
171	May 1921	Lord Russell of Killowen, C.J. (copy)
179, 181	Jan. 1922	Lord Brougham (purchased)
188	Mar. 1922	William Austin
221	Nov. 1924	Lord Cozens-Hardy, M.R.
247	Apr. 1926	Mark Hildersley
251-252	Oct. 1926	Sir Thomas Plumer, M.R.
267	Jul. 1927	John Locke ⁶
269	Oct. 1927	Unknown Lady
275, 281	Feb. 1928	Sir George Jessel, M.R.
285, 287	Dec. 1928	Lord Hailsham, L.C. (commissioned)
293	Nov. 1929	Sir William ⁷ Jones (purchased)
298, 299	Jul. 1930	Sir Edward Fry
309	Oct. 1931	Lord Lyndhurst
312	Jan. 1932	Lord Justice Cotton
331	Feb. 1934	King George V
332	May 1934	Lord Loughborough
332	May 1934	James Stephen
334	Jul. 1934	Lord Brougham
338	Nov. 1934	Archbishop Tillotson (purchased)
341	Jan. 1935	Sir Thomas Walmesley (copy commissioned)
351	Jul. 1935	St Thomas More, miniature.
354	Dec. 1935	Sir John Comyns (purchased)
361	Mar. 1936	Lord Hobhouse
368	Nov. 1936	St Thomas More
		Lord Russell of Killowen, C.J. (original) ⁸
371	Jan. 1937	Sir Alexander Thomson, C.B. (purchased)
371	Feb. 1937	Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart.

¹ *Post*, p. 321.

² *Post*, pp. 278, 278-279.

³ See (1970) 86 L.Q.R. 158 (P.V.B.).

⁴ *Post*, pp. 597-599.

⁵ The effect of the second world war on the Society's pictures and other effects is dealt with elsewhere: see *post*, pp. 66, 67.

⁶ Sold in 1947: see *Disposals, post*, p. 43.

⁷ See *post*, p. 293, n. 1.

⁸ By Sargent. Copy, above, May 1921, returned to the family.

<i>Page Ref.</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Subject</i>
373	Jul. 1937	Charles Clarke, B.
376	Nov. 1937	Sir Fitzroy Kelly, C.B. (miniature)
378	Dec. 1937	Sir Robert Eyre (purchased)
380	Mar. 1938	Sir Thomas Richardson, C.J.
386	Nov. 1938	Lord Maugham, L.C. (commissioned; Eves)
393	Jun. 1939	Sir Charles Hall, V.-C.
448	Dec. 1942	Sir Richard Kindersley, V.-C. (bequest)
450, 499	Mar. 1943	Sir William Rann Kennedy
478	Jan. 1945	The Great Hall in September 1944 by Airy
479	Mar. 1945	James Alexander George Smith
499	Jul. 1946	Sir John Willes, C.J.
500, 502	Oct. 1946	William Prynne
560, 568, 570	May 1951	Sir Robert Atkyns (Fire Judge) Sir Samuel Browne (Fire Judge) Sir Wadham Wyndham (Fire Judge)
564, 566	Oct. 1953	Lord Simonds, L.C.
567, 582		
586	Mar. 1954	Sir Henry Beddington, C.J., C.P.
622, 629, 630	Jun. 1958	A Short Adjournment
623	Jul. 1957	Sir John Spelman (purchased)
628	Mar. 1958	Lord Cozens-Hardy, M.R.
646-647	Oct. 1960	John Donne
648	Nov. 1960	Lord Parker of Waddington, C.J.
661	Dec. 1962	Sir John Glynne and family (purchased)
680	Dec. 1964	Lord Lyndhurst
680, 687	Jul. 1965	Mohamed Ali Jinnah
688	Oct. 1965	Viscount Maugham (Kelly)
692	Dec. 1965	Sir Henry Hobart
<i>(b) Disposals</i>		
380	Mar. 1938	Milo of Cortona sent for sale
414	Oct. 1940	Returned unsold
499-500	Jul. 1946	Above picture and other non-legal paintings ordered to be sold.
508	Jan. 1947	Result of sales (other than John Locke)
511	Mar. 1947	Portrait of John Locke sold for £13
<i>(c) Busts</i>		
94-95	May 1916	Sir Robert Stuart (ivory) (bequest)
227, 238	Dec. 1925	Lord Macnaghten (marble) (purchased)
374	Oct. 1937	Sir John de Gex, Q.C.
393	May 1939	Professor F.W. Maitland
432	Oct. 1941	Sir James Bacon, V.-C.
299, 613	Jun. 1956	Arthur Raymond Kirby
<i>(d) Loans of pictures</i>		
266	May 1927	Skyner, C.B. Bi-centenary of Gainsborough.
272	Nov. 1927	Lord Davey. Royal Academy.

<i>Page Ref.</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Subject</i>
299-300	Nov. 1930	Sir Matthew Hale. For copying.
321	Jan. 1933	Lord Hailsham. Nottingham Museum
349	May 1935	King George V. In aid of Jubilee Trust
354	Nov. 1935	Skyner C.B. Gainsborough exhibition
392	Apl. 1939	Lord Maugham L.C. Exhibition at R.A.
528	May 1948	Queen Victoria opening the Hall
597	Feb. 1955	Sir George Jessel M.R. Exhibition at V. & A.
613	May 1956	Viscount Haldane by Fiddes. For copying.
613	May 1956	Sir Richard Raynsford. To exhibit and copy
623	Jun. 1957	Viscount Simonds. Kelly's exhibition at R.A.
<i>Silver</i>		
589	May 1954	Communion plate
647	Nov. 1960	Duke Candlesticks ¹
<i>(e) Acquisition of Prints and Sketches.</i>		
86-87	Nov. 1915	Thomas Erskine Holland, K.C. ²
125	Oct. 1918	Sketches by Sir Frank Lockwood.
139	Jul. 1919	Sir Edward Clarke, K.C.
158	Jun. 1920	Lord Justice Fitzgibbon
165	Dec. 1920	Sir Rowland Wandesford
188	Mar. 1922	"Prospect of Lincoln's Inn"
192, 192-193	Jul. 1922	Six "Brabazon" pictures
193	Jul. 1922	Richard Cromwell
205	Jun. 1923	Owen Salusbury Brereton
215-216	May 1924	Watercolour sketch of Great Hall by P.C. Hardwick
248	May 1926	Sketches by Sir Frank Lockwood.
275	Feb. 1928	Sketches by Bacon, V.-C.
332	May 1934	"Bench and Bar"
372	Apl. 1937	The Worthies of Westminster Hall
437	Dec. 1941	Drawing of the interior of the Hall
448	Dec. 1942	Drawing of Sir Richard Kindersley V.-C.
481	May 1945	Prints and plaster bust of Lord Jessel
664	May 1963	Drawing of Mr. Justice Eve by Theo Mathew
<i>(f) Offers declined.</i>		
80	Mar. 1915	Opening of the Great Hall.
115	Oct. 1917	Lord Grimthorpe
137	May 1919	Viscount Eversley
171-172, 176	May 1921	Lord Talbot, L.C.
176, 178	Oct. 1921	Vice-Chancellor Bacon
178	Nov. 1921	Sir James Eyre
189	Apr. 1922	Viscount Bryce
189	Apr. 1922	Earl of Mansfield
210	Feb. 1924	Sir Thomas More
217	Jul. 1924	Charles Clarke ³

¹ Illustrated: 4BB. Plate 3, pp. 330, 351.² See *post*, p. 89, note 1.³ Accepted later? See p. 373 (July 21st, 1937).

<i>Page Ref.</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Subject</i>
229, 232–233	1925	Coats of Arms and glass in Serjeants Inn
233	Oct. 1925	Sir John Vaughan
247	Apr. 1926	Mark Hildersley
254, 259	Dec. 1926	Sir Edward Clarke, K.C.
273	Dec. 1927	Judge Macnamara (bust) (b.1820.Called 1849)
281	Nov. 1928	Townsend Enquiry in the Old Hall
434	Nov. 1941	Two Lord Chancellors' purses
480	May 1945	Painting of south end of Hall
523	Jan. 1948	Sir William Grant by Lawrence
555	Nov. 1950	Bronze statue
672	Jun. 1964	Weather vane

(g) Gifts of Furniture and Fittings

128	Nov. 1918	Screen
169	Mar. 1921	Two chairs. Property of Sir Matthew Hale ¹
227	Mar. 1925	Bracket carved by Paley Baildon
296, 297–298	Jul. 1930	Furniture and clock for rooms at Old Hall
303	Jan. 1931	G.C.B. banner of late Lord Muir Mackenzie
329	Nov. 1933	Four oak seats for upper vestibule
<i>Ante p. 33–34</i>	Jan. 1924	Pugin Table
459–460	Nov. 1943	Treasurer's chair (made by Sir H. Methold) ²
478	Jan. 1945	Chippendale bookcases
535	Oct. 1948	Bookcase
552	Jun. 1950	Two electric chandeliers
571	Jun. 1952	Ivory mallet
578	Mar. 1953	Garden chair (made by Sir H. Methold)
602	Oct. 1955	Grandfather clock
632	Oct. 1958	Photo-copier

(h) Silver and glass. Over the centuries the Inn has accumulated large amounts of silver and to a less extent, glassware. Frequently a Treasurer makes a gift of this kind to celebrate his year of office. Very occasionally we find recorded in the Black Books a gift by the Benchers to one of their number, e.g. on the occasion of a wedding.³ Presentations were also made to long serving staff on retirement.⁴ Since 1922 an annual muster of the silver has been conducted by the two junior Benchers.⁵ Full reports were made in 1935, 1939, 1942, and 1956 by more senior benchers.⁶ The following is a list of silver and glass given since 1914.

<i>Page Ref.</i>	<i>Description</i>
96	Bowl presented to Sir Andrew Richard Scoble
196	Silver gilt cross and brocade drapery (Younger L.J. ⁷)

¹ Report ordered March 1947: *post*, p. 510.

² A second, matching chair made by Sir. H. Methold was presented by his family in 2001.

³ See e.g. *post*, pp. 214.

⁴ *Post*, p. 195 (J.A. Clark); p. 565 (T. Hodgkinson).

⁵ *Post*, p. 190 and see *post*, p. 279.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 339, 388–389, 437–438, 440, 611–612.

⁷ Later Lord Blanesburgh.

<i>Page Ref.</i>	<i>Description</i>
233–234	Silver tray from Harvard Law School Assn.
235–236	Cup presented to G.F. Watts in 1860
236	Pair of cups from American Bar Association
241–242	Four pairs of pearl and silver dessert knives and forks for Bar table (Edward Atkin)
272	Mustard pot and spoon in mem. W.M. Spence.
278	Inkstand used by Queen Victoria in 1845
279	Decanter and glasses used by Queen Victoria in 1845
279	Pewter tankard given by the Night Master ¹
290	George II cup and cover given by R.F. Norton
294	Two small salvers given by sister of R.F.N.
304	Swiney Prize Cup presented to Sir F. Pollock in 1904
311	Model of the Golden Hind (R.B. Bennett)
313, 315	Large tray in mem. Wyndham Holgate
319	Silver gilt Rosewater Dish (Lord Blanesburgh)
323–324	Silver Bowl (Lord Justice P.O. Lawrence)
329	Cigar and cigarette box (Lord Blanesburgh)
	Salt cellars (Imperial Airways Ltd.)
330	Pair of silver candlesticks (R.A. Willes)
333	Two silver tankards (Theo. Mathew)
337–338	Legacy of £50 to purchase piece of plate
350	Silver rose water dish
351	Legacy of £100 to purchase piece of plate
	Piece of old Russian silver with view of Leningrad
373	Hand made tea and coffee service
	Snuff box
377	Silver presentation salver
379	Two silver sugar sifters (for use at bar tables)
380	Silver match box (for use in the drawing room)
382	Silver jug
399–400	Silver candlestick (for use on the bar tables)
449	Two silver tazzi
461	Silver cup
470	Two-handed silver fluted vase
478, 480	£100 for books or a piece of silver
519	Silver rose bowl
529	Silver George II tankard (The Treasurer's tankard)
551, 554	Whisky thimble
556, 563, 564	Georgian coffee urn and milk jug ²

¹ One gallon flagon of the early 19th century. It was the custom to purchase ale in quantity at a discount and pour it out amongst the participants into pint or half-pint mugs. The inscription reads: *J. Newton Ship Britannia Chichester Rents/HOUSE of CALL for PORTERS of the HONble SOCIETY of LINCOLN'S INN/1822*. The public house referred to is the Old Ship Britannia, which stood at 7 Chichester Rents (an alley off Chancery Lane), and which features in Dickens' *Bleak House* as the Sol's Arms.

² From Lord Hailsham's legacy of £200.

<i>Page Ref.</i>	<i>Description</i>
581-582	Charles II silver rose water dish with porringer
589	Silver table bell for use in the Drawing room.
594	Two silver tankards, one from money donated, the other from the Society's funds.
601	Silver paper knife
613	Three dozen silver coffee spoons
641	Four antique Irish glass decanters
642-643	Gift of £21 for piece of silver (Sir Fred Pritchard)
651	Silver presentation bowl
656	Silver cocoa pot

(j) Miscellaneous gifts.

364	Block of portrait of Sir John Skinner
438	Old firearms
449	Eastern crucifix and Cornelian amulet
477	Medal to commemorate opening of the New Hall 1845
501-502	City of London Freedom casket presented to Lord Brougham
543	Medal from Batonnier of the Bar of Paris
586	Arms of the Society owned by the late Queen Mary
616	Ames medal presented to Professor Maitland
	Three ivory decanter rings
622	£100 from member of the Society in Nigeria
641	Stone vase for the garden

CHRONICLE

1914–1918: THE GREAT WAR

1. Outbreak. War erupted on August 4th, 1914, with very little warning. Consequently, there is no reference to its imminence in the Black Books prior to that date. Moreover, it was widely believed that it would be over by Christmas, hence the reaction of the Society to it was limited. At the first Council meeting following the outbreak of war, it was resolved to suggest to the other Inns an alteration in the Consolidated Regulations to allow the Bench of any Inn to dispense with the keeping of terms by any student "unable to keep such term by reason of his being a member of the Forces of the Crown or otherwise engaged in connection with the War."¹

This was agreed to and put into effect by Regulation 37A on May 13th, 1915.² Other matters were the order that no entertainment be given on the next Grand night,³ that a contribution of £1000 be made to the War Relief Fund, and that the Finance Committee arrange payments to those members of the staff who joined the Forces.⁴ The Finance Committee were also to consider the question of relief from rent where a holder of Chambers lost a sub-tenant who went to serve in the War.⁵ In November Council, at the request of the General Council of the Bar, allowed displaced Belgian judges and advocates to use the facilities of the Inn.⁶ In contrast to this the Council rejected an application on behalf of a volunteer force to drill occasionally on a roadway in the Inn.⁷

2. Deepening effect. During 1915, it became clear that the War was going on for a long time, with great depletion of the ranks of students and young barristers.⁸ In July 1916 the Council of Legal Education reported a great reduction in the numbers of students entering for examinations, which continued until 1918 when the numbers began to pick up.⁹ During the same period the Reading in Chambers Committee reported in June 1915 that applications for grants had almost entirely ceased.¹⁰ In the same year the General Council of the Bar reported that 988 barristers had enlisted of whom 68 had been killed.¹¹

¹ *Post*, pp. 71, 74.

² *Post*, p. 81.

³ *Post*, p. 71. It was not until June 8, 1920 that a Grand Day dinner was again held: *post*, pp. 145, 154; and see Sir William Ball, *Lincoln's Inn* (1947) p. 155.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 81, 82.

⁵ *Post*, p. 72.

⁶ *Post*, p. 72.

⁷ *Post*, p. 73.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 81, 92–93, 102.

⁹ *Post*, p. 121.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 82, 96.

¹¹ Annual Statement 1915, p. 4.

By the end of the war the number had risen to 1438 and 190 respectively.¹ In Lincoln's Inn there were 174 students eligible to serve in the army when war broke out.² In November 1916 there were 38 students keeping terms, mostly Indians. In the meantime, in May 1916, Regulation 38A had been added to the Consolidated Regulations allowing the Masters of the Bench of any Inn to call to the Bar any student on or after service in the forces without having passed the final examination.³

3. Direct involvement. In this War the loss of life and limb fell mainly upon the combatants in the field or at sea. The lives and property of the civilian population were largely spared. There were air raids, few and small as compared with the second world war. The Inn suffered from two such raids.

(a) 1915. The first was a Zeppelin raid on October 13th, 1915. A stick of bombs caused an amount of superficial damage throughout the Inn but not structural damage or personal injury. The principal damage was to the glass in the Chapel.⁴ The "strong desire" was expressed that the depression caused by the bomb in the roadway by the side of the Chapel should not be filled in but preserved by the erection of a railing or chain and posts to constitute a lasting record of the Zeppelin raid.⁵ This inconvenient suggestion was not adopted but after the war a clear but less obtrusive commemoration was adopted.⁶

(b) 1917. The second raid occurred in the evening of December 18th, 1917. Warning of the aircraft raid was given while a Council meeting was in progress. The Benchers and others in the Hall and Library building took refuge in the basement of the building.⁷ Others sheltered in a basement in 9 Old Square. A bomb fell in Stone Buildings, outside the Drill Hall. It was perceived by those under the Hall, but not by those in Old Square. No personal injury was sustained but there was much damage to the glass, window sashes, exterior stonework and drainage pipes in the surrounding buildings. After the bomb the anti-aircraft firing gradually ceased, whereupon the Benchers proceeded to dine in Hall.⁸ An anti-aircraft shell fell in the garden opposite the Hall,

¹ Annual Statement 1918, p. 4.

² *Post*, p. 101.

³ *Post*, pp. 87, 92, 93. See *post*, pp. 116, 117 for examples of petitions, one successful, one unsuccessful, under this Regulation.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 85, 86, 88. For the Chapel glass, see *ante*, p. 22.

⁵ *Post*, p. 85.

⁶ See *post*, p. 51.

⁷ A Benchers who was present had this recollection. "I... was attending a Bench Council when the steward entered and informed us that a raid was approaching and would we postpone dinner until it was over. The Treasurer of the year was Lord Muir Mackenzie, and he replied that he thought we had better wait until the raid had passed. Someone then suggested that the wine cellar was probably bomb-proof and that there was a barrel of oysters in the larder. We therefore adjourned to the wine cellar and ate the oysters to the accompaniment of champagne. The scene was a curious one, Lord Muir Mackenzie sitting at a small table laden with oysters which were being sent in opened from the kitchen, while Lord Muir Mackenzie himself acted as butler and filled our glasses with champagne." (Sir Arthur Underhill: *Change and Decay* (1938) p. 108).

⁸ *Post*, p. 119-120.

and was subsequently removed.¹ The insurance claim for the damage in Stone Buildings was settled at £6892.14.10d.²

(c) *Commemoration.* In 1922 commemorative plaques were affixed on the exterior walls of the Chapel and Drill Hall. Marks in the roadway opposite each of the plaques indicated the precise position of the fall of the bombs.³

4. Direct contributions.

(a) *The Inns of Court Regiment.* The Inn had long been home to the Inns of Court Regiment. It took over its present premises in 10 Stone Buildings in 1882, following their vacation by the Writ and Record Office which moved to the newly opened Royal Courts of Justice. At that time the regiment was the Inns of Court Volunteer Rifle Corps. By 1913 it had become the Inns of Court Officers Training Corps, under the command of Lieut.-Col. F.H.L. Errington,⁴ a barrister who became a Bencher in February 1915.⁵ During the course of the war the Corps selected and trained officer cadets. In approximate terms, 130,000 candidates were interviewed; 13,000 were selected for training; and 12,000 were commissioned into various regiments; they suffered 5000 casualties and earned 1000 decorations (including 3 V.C.'s).⁶ It should be noted that only a few of these men were members of an Inn of Court.⁷

(b) *Activities of the Regiment in the Inn.* In September 1914 the Corps transferred from London to Berkhamsted where it was to be based for the duration of the war. Lincoln's Inn ceased to be the headquarters but became the regimental depot. Errington gives this account of the activities of the Corps in the Inn.

"The chief function of the depot was the selection of candidates for admission to the Corps, but for a time recruits were clothed and armed there and received the first part of their training, and during this period the establishment at Lincoln's Inn carried on the work of an ordinary regimental depot. At a later stage the recruits were sent down to Berkhamsted to join the Corps immediately after attestation, and the depot was then concerned with little else than the business of recruiting ...

"At the outbreak of the war the Corps used for its Headquarters No. 10 Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn, consisting of Drill Hall with orderly room, armoury and offices. As the war went on, the office work of the depot increased so greatly that the accommodation at No. 10 Stone Buildings soon became quite inadequate. The Benchers of Lincoln's Inn very kindly put practically all their vacant chambers at the disposal of the Corps, and at one time the work of the depot was being carried on not only at the old Headquarters, but also in chambers at No. 7, No. 2,

¹ *Post*, p. 124.

³ *Post*, p. 183.

⁵ *Post*, p. 78.

² *Post*, p. 124.

⁴ 5BB.lxxviii, 235.

⁶ *Post*, p. 136; and see *post*, pp. 91–92.

⁷ See generally on the Regiment's wartime history D.M. Hatton, *'The Devil's Own': a History of the Inns of Court Regiment* (London: J.A. Allen, 1992) chaps 4 and 5; and F.H.L. Errington *The Inns of Court Officers Training Corps during the Great War* (London: Printing-Craft [1922]).

and No. 4 Stone Buildings, and at No. 12, Old Square. The Old Hall also was handed over to the Corps for lectures and other purposes during the period when the recruit training was being carried on at Lincoln's Inn. Even the Law Courts were pressed into service, and when the Central Hall was available it was used in bad weather. The gardens of the Inn were, of course, in constant use as training grounds, and their ancient lawns, the result of centuries of care, were completely ruined

"During the greater part of the year 1915, recruits were sent down in drafts to Berkhamsted as accommodation became available there, and the demand at Berkhamsted, speaking generally, kept pace with the supply at Lincoln's Inn. At the end of 1915, however, an epidemic of measles broke out among the troops at Berkhamsted and no further drafts could be sent there until the Corps was out of quarantine, a matter of some months. In the meantime, recruiting was proceeding at Lincoln's Inn without intermission, and the numbers on the strength of the depot were daily increasing till at one time they reached almost 2000. To give adequate training to such numbers with the few instructors available was almost an impossibility, and the energies of Captain Mathews and his staff were very severely taxed. The gardens of the Inn did not afford sufficient space and at this time of congestion a large part of the work was done on Hampstead Heath ... Early in 1916, when the Corps was again free to receive drafts, the congestion at the depot was relieved ... In June, 1916, orders were received that recruits were to be sent down to Corps Headquarters immediately after enlistment, and training at the depot came to an end."¹

(c) *War loan.* Another direct contribution was investment in War Loan. A cautious approach was adopted. In July 1915 the Inn declined to invest on the terms then available.² Later 4½ p.c. War Loan Stock was acquired which in February 1917 was converted into £72,463 5% War Loan.³ At the same time the Inn borrowed £26,000 from the Bank which enabled it to purchase sufficient War Loan to make up its holding to £100,000.⁴ This operation led to a considerable loss when the loan came to be repaid in 1921.⁵ The Inn also contributed to a number of War charities.

(d) *Not a hospital.* In February 1915 the Council turned down an application for the use of the dining hall as a military hospital.⁶ However, from July 1915 the Inn entertained 20 wounded soldiers from local hospitals on three days a week for several months.⁷ This activity continued on a reduced scale during Hilary term 1916.⁸

5. Indirect effects. The war affected the Inn indirectly in many ways. We have already seen its effect on recruitment, and touched on the departure of young members of chambers.⁹

¹ Errington, *op. cit.* pp. 40, 42.

² *Post*, p. 83.

³ *Post*, pp. 106, 107.

⁴ *Post*, p. 107.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 163–164, 191.

⁶ *Post*, p. 78.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 83–84.

⁸ *Post*, p. 87; and see *Post*, pp. 91, 93, thanks to organiser.

⁹ *Ante*, p. 49–50.

(a) *Conversion to residential chambers.* In July 1916 there were 230 sets of chambers of which 51 were empty and unlet. There were about 30 sets of residential chambers of which 7 were unlet.¹ In January 1917 Council adopted a scheme to convert some sets on the second and third floors into residential sets. By July 1917 13 newly converted flats had been let.² In November 1917 Council agreed to continue the conversions.³ By July 1919 38 sets had been converted and let.⁴

(b) *Staff.* The War affected the Inn's staff. N.Y. Marriott, third clerk in the office of the Steward (A. Weatherley Marriott) joined the forces almost immediately. His place was kept open and his salary continued to be paid after deducting the amount of his military pay and allowances.⁵ He was subsequently commissioned,⁶ and finally gazetted out with the rank of captain on February 3rd, 1919.⁷ The junior assistant in the Library (Tom Hodgkinson) also joined the forces. He was allowed half his pay and his place kept open for him. He was demobilised on March 5th, 1919.⁸ A number of porters were also treated in a similar manner.⁹

No temporary staff replaced Marriott or Hodgkinson while they were in the forces, but the remaining staff were given extra allowances to compensate them for the extra work.¹⁰ They were also given some relief from attendance in Hall during dinner.¹¹

The Chaplain (Rev. C.B. Knight) became a Chaplain to the Forces. His office was combined with that of the Preacher from March 25th, 1917, and consequently Mr. Knight did not return to the Inn.

(c) *Economy.* In June 1915, just after the formation of a coalition government, a national appeal was made to economise by reducing all unnecessary expenditure upon superfluous comfort or luxuries and thereby to increase the resources which could be put at the disposal of the State.¹² The Inn responded to this appeal by instructing the Kitchen Committee to arrange that the dinner at the Bench Table should be simpler and less expensive, and all members, whether Benchers, Barristers or Students, should give notice of intention to dine. The War did not go well in 1915. Hence the Inn may well have concluded that the earlier modest proposals to economise did not go far enough. At all events, in 1916, an Economy Committee (a sub-committee of the Finance Committee) was asked to review all the activities of the Inn with a view to effecting economies. It produced three reports, on the 16th and 30th July, and the 2nd December 1916. The reports as a whole give a very full account of the property and affairs of the Inn at that time.¹³ The controls in the kitchen

¹ *Post*, p. 105.

² *Post*, p. 114.

³ *Post*, pp. 115, 117-118, 127.

⁴ *Post*, p. 139.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 71, 73.

⁶ *Post*, p. 79. His allowance from the Inn was varied.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 132-133. He was the Under Treasurer from 1938 to 1946.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 88, 136. He was the Librarian from 1932 to 1951.

⁹ *Post*, p. 73.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 83, 96.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 111-112.

¹² *Post*, p. 84.

¹³ *Post*, p. 97, 97-99, 103. They are reprinted as Appendix 1.

adopted as a result of the first report of the Economy Committee sufficed to satisfy the later governmental controls imposed by the Public Meals Order and the Cake and Pastry Order of April 1917.¹

6. Return to practice. By the beginning of 1918 the end of the War was coming into view. A special joint committee of the Inns was appointed to consider the situation of those barristers serving in the forces who wished to return to practice.² It could not agree in its recommendations.³ In the event the matter was passed to the General Council of the Bar which established a Demobilisation Committee to advise and assist returning barristers.⁴

7. War memorials.⁵ The Society has three war memorials.

(a) *Seating.* The main one consists of

"a central stone block in cenotaph form, on the face of which a bronze tablet is fixed containing in two columns the names of the Members of the Inn who laid down their lives in the War: on each side, connected by a seat and a balustrade, is a minor block, with a bronze tablet having on it the names of others who have perished being sons of Members of the Inn."⁶

After due consideration of over a dozen possible outdoor sites, it was placed on the plot to the west of the Chapel facing south down the roadway on the east side of New Square.⁷ It was unveiled by Mr. Asquith on March 16th, 1921.⁸ Later it was discovered that a number of names of the sons of Members had been omitted. New plates were substituted which included them.⁹

(b) *Roll of Honour.* Secondly, a book was commissioned from a Mr. Graily Hewitt to contain a list of members who had served in the War, distinguishing those who had been killed.¹⁰ The book was completed in November 1921, the names having been inscribed by a Mr. Norton.¹¹ The Inn's Roll of Honour is displayed in a purpose-built cabinet which stands in the vestibule outside the Library.¹² The pages are regularly turned.

(c) *Bowl in Hall.* The third memorial is less conventional, but equally inspiring. It consists of a silver rose bowl which is placed on the Bar Table at dinner with the two places on each side of the table facing it laid up but left unoccupied. From the following description¹³ can be gathered its appearance and purpose.

"Hallmarked Silver hammered Rose Bowl. Date 1924. Made by Omar Ramsden of London. The Gothic style foot surmounted by plain open mouthed bowl. Engraved to commemorate the Barristers who dined at this Table and gave their lives in the War A.D. 1914-1919 and bearing the Arms of Lincoln's Inn engraved three times. Mounted on an octagonal Plinth with silver band (also made by Omar Ramsden) bearing the names of the fallen."

¹ *Post*, pp. 112, 113.

⁴ Annual Statement, 1918, p. 5.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 150-151.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 140.

¹³ From an insurance schedule.

² *Post*, p. 121.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 128, 140.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 169-170.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 179.

³ *Post*, pp. 124-125.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 146-147.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 192, 201, 208.

¹² *Post*, p. 190.

It was first placed in the centre of the Bar Table by the Treasurer¹ at a ceremony before dinner on July 3rd, 1924.² It has since been moved in stages to the senior end of the Table, ostensibly to mark the increasing seniority of those commemorated, but also, one suspects, for convenience.

(d) *Field Guns*. There was another reminder of the War. Council gave the Inns of Court O.T.C. permission to place a German Howitzer mounted on a stone platform behind the Brewster Gates.³ A later request from the Holborn Borough Council for sites within the Inn for German Guns and Howitzers at their disposal was turned down on the ground that the Society had enough guns already.⁴

1916-1926: A QUARREL BETWEEN BENCHERS

The issue of *The Times* for September 1st, 1916, made sombre reading. The Battle of the Somme had been raging for two months so the opportunity was taken to publish an appraisal of the course of the battle to date, in addition to the normal daily news of casualties. Tucked away in a remote corner was this paragraph.

SCENE IN A CHANCERY COURT

During the resumed hearing of the action between Amalgamated Properties of Rhodesia (1913) Limited and Globe and Finance Gold Mining Company Limited before Mr. Justice Eve yesterday, an unusual quarrel between leading counsel was revived. Mr. Upjohn K.C. whose speech for the defendants has occupied 31 days, was reading the evidence of one of the plaintiffs' witnesses, when Mr. Hughes K.C. for the plaintiffs intervened, and said that he wished to correct a mistake of his learned friend.

Mr. Upjohn protested, and Mr. Hughes said that he regretted that his courteous interventions always led to a volume of scurrilous abuse.

Mr. Upjohn: "That is an absolute lie."

Eve J.: "Mr. Upjohn, I will not continue like this. The case must be conducted properly."

Mr. Upjohn: "I ask your Lordship to say that Mr. Hughes is not entitled to make such an observation."

Mr. Hughes: "My learned friend during this trial has made observations to me the like of which I have never before known. In future I shall not interrupt until your Lordship invites me to do so, and I must leave on your Lordship the responsibility of ascertaining whether Mr. Upjohn's submissions are accurate."

Mr. Upjohn: "I refuse to have the slightest relation with Mr. Hughes."

Eve J.: "That is an unfortunate attitude to adopt."

Mr. Upjohn then continued his speech.

(The Times, Friday, September 1, 1916, p. 3)

¹ Mr. Justice Eve.

² *Post*, pp. 217-218.

³ *Post*, pp. 144-145, 158. The gun was removed and sent for scrap in the Second World War.

⁴ *Post*, p. 154.

The passage of arms was between Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C. and William Henry Upjohn, K.C., both Benchers of Lincoln's Inn. Hughes was leading Gore-Browne, K.C. and W.E. Vernon for the plaintiffs; Upjohn was leading Tomlin, K.C. and J.W. Holmes for the defendants. Before continuing with the narrative, some biographical material on each of the antagonists may be given.

Hughes was born in January 1856, called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1880, took silk in 1898, and was elected a Bencher on February 1st, 1905. He was elected a member of the General Council of the Bar in 1899, and served continuously for 32 years until he retired from practice in 1931. From 1920 until his retirement he was the Chairman of the Bar Council, being knighted in 1926. He died in 1938. In his *Times* obituary he is said to be "a sound and capable lawyer and he added a pleasant manner to his other accomplishments."

Upjohn was born in August 1853, called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1881, took silk in 1897, and was elected a Bencher on July 10th, 1905. He was the next Bencher to be elected after Hughes, and thus next to him in order of precedence. He retired from practice in 1936, and died in 1941. His *Times* obituary had this to say: "In spite of faults of tact and temper, Upjohn had qualities which entitled him to be considered one of the greatest advocates of his generation." It was said of him that "in his latter days when engaged in a heavy case [he] would refuse to go into court unless his 'refresher' was paid every day. But he was in a position to do what he liked."¹

The case continued for another three weeks. On September 23rd, 1916, *The Times* carried this report.

A SPEECH OF 45 DAYS

Counsels' Quarrel in Court

The conclusion of the hearing yesterday in the Chancery Division before Mr. Justice Eve in the case of Amalgamated Properties of Rhodesia (1913) Limited v. Gold and Phoenix Mining Company Limited was the occasion of a scene between the leading counsel engaged in the case. Mr. Upjohn concluded his speech for the defendants having addressed the Court for 45 days, the hearing having occupied 144 days in all. He was not sure whether he ought to apologise to his Lordship for the length of time he had occupied, but he felt he could not blame himself. He had over 50,000 questions and answers to go through, 5,000 pages of printed evidence and 256 exhibits. In reading, noting and synthesising the case for the purposes of placing it before the Court he had occupied 84 days not to speak of the work done by the other defendants' counsel.

Referring to the friction between himself and the counsel for the plaintiffs he said that nothing he was about to say must be taken as a withdrawal of what he had said about the other side. He was surprised at his own moderation. But he felt he must apologise to his Lordship for being upon one occasion betrayed into using

¹ Sir William Ball, *Lincoln's Inn* (Stevens, 1947) p. 206.

expressions which were not consistent with the respect due to a Judge as representative of the Sovereign and charged with the duty of administering justice. But he was not going to offer any apology to the other side.

Mr. Hughes said that his learned friend's last observation rendered it necessary for him to say something. Mr. Upjohn has apologised to the Court but he has not apologised for his abominable insults to Mr. Gore-Browne. I have never quarrelled with any member of my profession before in all my experience. Mr. Upjohn has made an attack upon Mr. Gore-Browne.

Mr. Upjohn: "Perfectly untrue."

Mr. Hughes: "He has also extended his insulting conduct to me. He has called me a fool, a liar and a scoundrel. I should have brought the matter before the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn if it had been term time. I hope the Press will take this opportunity of saying that such conduct is entirely unknown at the English Bar."

Mr. Justice Eve said he was sorry that the otherwise pleasant reminiscences of a pleasant case should be marred by such regrettable incidents. So far as any disrespect to himself was concerned, that was entirely removed by Mr. Upjohn's remarks. He was not entitled to adjudicate between the three professional gentlemen involved, all of whom were his personal friends. But injustice would be done if he allowed the matter to be overshadowed by one distressful incident. He meant the matter of Mr. Upjohn's great speech ...

That was the high water mark of Upjohn's intransigence. The case had been heard during the Long Vacation. Michaelmas Term started on Monday, October 16th, on which day the General Council of the Bar also had a meeting. As a result the General Council's Secretary wrote the letter which was read by the Inn's Council at their meeting on November 2nd, 1916.¹ The day before the next meeting of the Inn's Council, the case was mentioned to the judge, as appears from the following report in *The Times* of November 24th, 1916.

RECONCILIATION OF COUNSEL

When Mr. Justice Eve took his seat in Court [on November 23rd], reference was made to the difference which arose between counsel.

Mr. Upjohn: "May I be allowed to mention the case of Amalgamated etc ... Since the hearing I have reconsidered certain incidents which occurred in the course of that case between myself and my learned friend, Mr. Hughes, and which will still be in your Lordship's recollection. I resisted, and indeed I still resist, the suggestion (for which I assure your Lordship there is no foundation) that my conduct of the case was influenced by personal animosity towards another member of the Bar. At the same time I fully recognise that nothing could justify the language which in the course of the case I used of my learned friend. I desire, therefore, to express to the court my regret for such language."

¹ *Post*, p. 100.

Mr. Hughes said: "My Lord, my learned friend, Mr. Upjohn, recently moved the Bench of which we are both members for an inquiry into the truth of the suggestion of which he complains, and in doing so he solemnly assured his fellow Benchers that such suggestion was without foundation. For my part I at once accepted his assurance, and expressed regret that the suggestion had been made. The suggestion having been made in open court, I desire to withdraw it and express my regret in open court."

Mr. Upjohn added: "My Lord, I welcome what my learned friend has said; and for my part I withdraw any imputation conveyed by the language to which I have referred, either on the professional conduct or the personal honour of my learned friends, Mr. Hughes and Mr. Gore-Browne."

At the Inn's Council Meeting on 24th November a resolution was passed which seemed to close the matter¹. Indeed, so far as the Black Books are concerned there is silence for ten years. Yet it is apparent that the relationship continued to be strained.

During 1926 the antagonism flared up again, and moved quickly to a climax. By this time Hughes had become the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar, and had recently been knighted.

In February 1926 Upjohn received the following letter from H.S.L. Polak, solicitor and Privy Council agent. He was acting for the respondent in Appeal No. 57 of 1925, *Rao Narsingh Rao v. Beti Maha Lakshmi Bai and others*.

"I have within the last few days come to know that, on the 3rd May 1918, you gave a joint opinion with Messrs. A.M. Dunne, K.C. and Gerald Saunders to the Rani, on the various questions which arose in this litigation, now under appeal to the Privy Council, and you advised the lady in great detail on the course which the case and the arguments should take. The suit was then pending in the court of the additional judge of Aligarh. I have no doubt, when you accepted the brief of the appellant recently, you had completely overlooked this opinion. But I feel it my duty to bring this fact to your notice, and I am sure you would wish that I should do so, as I presume it must affect the question of your accepting a brief against the lady, whom you have already advised in the early stage of this litigation."

The answer which Upjohn's clerk returned three days later was—

"The circumstance you mention of Mr. Upjohn having advised on the above case had entirely escaped the recollection of Mr. Upjohn and myself, as might be expected having regard to the lapse of eight years. Mr. Upjohn feels that, having regard to the lapse of time, and the total absence of any recollection on his part of the case, there is nothing to prevent him from appearing for the appellant, for whom he has already appeared."²

¹ *Post*, p. 102.

² There had been an application by Upjohn on behalf of the appellant to the Board for the admission of new evidence.

Polak then consulted the Law Society for an opinion as to whether they considered Upjohn justified in continuing to appear on behalf of the appellant and for advice as to what further steps he (Polak) should take. The Law Society passed the matter to the Bar Council, which, without communicating with Upjohn, expressed the following opinion

"In the circumstances stated, the council are of opinion that Mr. Upjohn should not appear for the appellant, when his attention has been called to the fact that he formerly advised the respondents in the same litigation."

When this opinion became known to Upjohn, correspondence ensued between him and the Bar Council, which ended with a long, argumentative letter, dated June 11th, 1926, from his clerk in which the regulations of the Bar Council were subjected to an analysis more appropriate to the construction of a statute than to the interpretation of rules for the guidance of practitioners put out by a body concerned to preserve public confidence in the profession. The letter recorded Upjohn's "absolute and entire dissent" from the "utterly wrong opinion" of the Council, and stated "that Mr. Upjohn declines to regulate his professional conduct in accordance with views of the Bar Council."¹ It is thus no surprise to find him appearing for the appellant in due course before the Privy Council. The appeal was dismissed: *Narfsingh Rao v. Mahalakshmi Bai* (1928) L.R. 55 I.A. 180.

At the Inn's Council meeting of June 21st, 1926, Upjohn, supported by Mr. Justice Eve, invited the Council to express disapproval of the opinion which the General Council of the Bar had issued. It declined to do so.² Before the next Council meeting Upjohn had tendered his resignation from the Bench. By a majority, the Council accepted it.³ That is as far as the documents take us. However, accounts survive of relations between the two men having become so bad that a scuffle once occurred at the entrance to the Benchers lavatory. It also appears that Upjohn's resignation brought relief to the Library, which had for long been hard pressed by his extensive exercise of a Benchers' privilege of borrowing books from it. The Librarian promptly retrieved a substantial collection of books from Upjohn's chambers and restored them to their shelves.

1917: CHANCERY BAR LODGE

In March 1917 the Chancery Bar Masonic Lodge was granted permission to hold its regular meetings in the Inn.⁴ In 1893 the Lodge had been consecrated in the Inn by the then Prince of Wales (later King Edward VII) as Grand Master of the Order.⁵ The letter from the Master of the Lodge (Owen Thompson) gives details of the membership which included 16 Benchers. The Master himself subsequently became a Benchers. The meetings continue to the present day.

¹ The entire correspondence is printed verbatim in the *Law Times* (1926) Vol. 161, pp. 494-496; Vol. 162, pp. 12, 13. Editorial comment, while criticising the failure of the Bar Council to communicate with Upjohn before giving its opinion, unhesitatingly supported the opinion: *ibid.* Vol. 161, p. 483.

² *Post*, pp. 249-250. ³ *Post*, p. 250.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 110-111.

⁵ 5BB.289.

1922: QUINCENTENARY CELEBRATION

In 1922 the Society celebrated the quincentenary of its occupation of its present site on the west side of Chancery Lane.¹ It can, indeed, be shown that in 1422 the Society, fully fledged, was in occupation as tenants of the Bishop of Chichester of part of the site it now occupies in the area of the Great Gatehouse, Old Buildings and the Old Hall. How much earlier it occupied the site, where it came from and what its connection was with the Earl of Lincoln (died 1311) is obscure and controversial, and are questions which have much exercised previous editors of the Black Books and continue to exercise legal historians.

The celebration consisted of a service in the Chapel on Tuesday, November 28th, 1922, attended by the King and Queen, and a banquet seven days later in the Great Hall. A fuller account is given in a finely produced, illustrated, commemorative pamphlet of which copies are held in the Library.² It contains an historical introduction by W. Paley Baildon which had been presented to the guests at the banquet; the order of service and the address of the Archbishop of Canterbury at it; an account of the banquet, including the text of the speeches given by the Treasurer (Lord Justice Warrington), the Lord Chancellor (Viscount Cave), Viscount Haldane, the Spanish Ambassador, Earl Beatty and the Master of the Rolls (Lord Sterndale). An appendix contains a list of Benchers at the time, indicating those that attended the banquet. It also contains a list of Preachers.

The Benchers attending should have included Sir Edward Clarke, K.C. who had undertaken to propose the toast of the guests. It seems that he had made a mistake about the day. When it became obvious in the middle of the dinner that he was not likely to appear, Lord Haldane was asked to step in, which he did successfully. He wrote subsequently that he was quite unprepared as "my distinguished neighbours left me little time for thought."³ The bluff reply of Earl Beatty included the following remarks

"In this Court it is the custom to drink His Majesty's health sitting down. So it is in the Navy. The reason we drink it sitting down is because the ships are storm swept and we cannot stand up, but with you it is from other causes that you cannot stand up. (Laughter)"

Laughter was recorded five times in Lord Beatty's brief speech; not once in any of the others.

1924: DEATH OF WILLIAM PALEY BAILDON

Baildon's contribution to the commemorative book of the Quincentenary Celebration was the last service that he rendered to the Society. He was born in July 1859, called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in November 1885 and practised principally as a conveyancer and draftsman until his death in March 1924,

¹ *Post*, pp. 188, 189, 192, 193, 196, 197-198, 203.

² See *Post*, pp. 200, 221.

³ See Sir William Ball's *Lincoln's Inn* (1947) p. 227.

following a period of illness. He was, however, more widely known as an historian and antiquary, a leading figure in the Selden Society and the Society of Antiquaries, as well as in archaeological and historical societies in his native Yorkshire. He edited two volumes for the Selden Society, and a third in conjunction with none other than Professor F.W. Maitland, who thought highly of his abilities. For Lincoln's Inn he performed two immense tasks. He edited the first four volumes of the printed Black Books, covering the four centuries from 1422 to 1845. He also compiled a Calendar Catalogue of the Pamphlets in the Library. At the Bar his learning led to his engagement in cases requiring historical research, the most notable being *Smith v. Kerr* [1900] 2 Ch. 511; on appeal [1902] 1 Ch. 774. This established that the defunct Clifford's Inn, an ancient Inn of Chancery, was held on charitable educational trusts.¹

1924: VISIT OF AMERICAN AND CANADIAN BAR ASSOCIATIONS

This took place in mid-July 1924. The climax of the original plan was to be a banquet in Westminster Hall on Friday, July 25th, with additional dinners provided by each of the Inns and the Law Society.² However, when the numbers wishing to attend became known, they were too many to be accommodated in Westminster Hall, so each of the Inns and the Law Society undertook to provide a second dinner.³ The Harvard Law Association also planned to meet in the Hall during the week.⁴ The visit duly took place,⁵ and was evidently a great success.⁶ As mementoes the Harvard Law Association sent a silver tray,⁷ and the American Bar Association sent a pair of silver cups specially designed and made.⁸ A return visit by the English judges and lawyers to the United States and Canada took place in August and September, 1930.⁹ The Society contributed towards presents to be made on that occasion.¹⁰ On at least two subsequent occasions, in 1931 and 1932, the Inn gave a dinner to Canadian judges and lawyers who happened to be in London in July of each year.¹¹ On the former occasion Sir Frederick Pollock gave an extempore address on the origins of the Inns of Court which was much admired, and was later published.¹² Further visits of the American Bar Association took place in the second half of the century.¹³

¹ For further information on Baildon's life and work, see *The Antiquaries Journal* (1924) Vol. IV, p. 279; *Baildon and the Baildons* (1925) Vol II, iii-ix, 282-284.

² *Post*, pp. 210, 211.

³ *Post*, pp. 212-213.

⁴ *Post*, p. 215.

⁵ *Post*, p. 218, a record of the events in the Inn.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 227-228, letter from Canadian Bar Association.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 233-234.

⁸ *Post*, p. 236. See p. 261 for use of the cups.

⁹ Annual Statement of the General Council of the Bar for 1930, pp. 4-6.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 297, 299.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 308, 316.

¹² (1932) 48 L.Q.R. 163.

¹³ See *post*, p. 70.

1925: DINNER TO THE EARL OF OXFORD AND ASQUITH

In the General Election of October 1924 Asquith lost his seat in the Commons. The King, his fellow Benchers, offered him an earldom which he accepted. On March 27th, 1925, the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench gave a dinner in his honour.¹ Although the record states that copies of the speeches were placed in the Library and with the Council papers, they cannot now be found.

1926: THE GENERAL STRIKE

The General Strike of May 1926 is barely mentioned in the Black Books. Because of it, the Grand Day Dinner was put off, but nevertheless Sir Edward Clarke, K.C. as senior Benchers ordered the usual champagne to be served throughout the Hall.² The only other reference to the General Strike is in the letter of thanks to Council from the Commanding Officer of the Inns of Court O.T.C. for their active support of the Corps in carrying out their duties entailed by the strike.³

1926: AMITY DINNER TO THE MIDDLE TEMPLE

In November 1926 the Treasurer, Lord Danesfort, K.C., invited the Benchers of the Middle Temple to dinner in Lincoln's Inn. In conveying the invitation Lord Danesfort referred to "the old historic associations which exist between the Middle Temple and Lincoln's Inn" and urged that the associations "should be revived and periodically celebrated in some definite and distinctive manner." The invitation was received "with acclamation," and the dinner was held on Thursday 16th December.⁴

The association between the two Inns is truly historic. It is referred to in the earliest years of our records. On March, 14th 1442 Richard Wode [Wood] received "49s. 5d for a drinking [*pro potacione*] between Lincoln's Inn and the Middle Temple." [1BB.11] Friendly relations continued intermittently for well over two hundred years.

1568. "£3.6s.8d. to Mr. Hickes for victuals for many gentlemen of the Middle Temple who came here to dance the Post Revels with the gentlemen of this Inn." [1BB.362; the Post Revels were held before the feast of the Purification on February 2nd]

1581. "£3.6s.8d. for a banquet [*convivium*] given to the gentlemen of the Middle Temple on the eve of the Purification." [1BB.423]

1679. The Masters of the Bench of this Society in Council taking into their consideration the present sad condition of the two Societies of the Inner and Middle Temples, occasioned by a dreadful fire that hath been lately there, and that the Feast of the Purification doth now fall upon the

¹ *Post*, p. 228.

² *Post*, p. 248.

³ *Post*, p. 249.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 255-256, 259-261.

Lord's Day, and for other reasons them moving, do think fit and order that the said feast day shall not be solemnised in this Society at this time by revelling and feasting as formerly hath been used. [3BB.124, 125; spelling modernised. A footnote adds that the fire broke out on Jan. 26th in Pump Court. Water was scarce owing to the Thames being frozen. "The engines plaid away many barrells of beer."]

1697. "Ordered that a complotacion betweene this Society and the Brethren of the Middle Temple be had as formerly." [3BB.197]

J. Douglas Walker, K.C., who wrote the preface to Vols. 1-4 of the Black Books, stated in 1912 that the complotacion in 1696 was the last.¹ Since 1926 Amity dinners for the Middle Temple have been held on a number of occasions, the last in 1997; and there have been return matches.

1929: AMITY DINNER TO THE INNER TEMPLE

In June 1929 Council ordered that the Benchers of the Inner Temple be invited to dinner at Lincoln's Inn in the following October.² The invitation was accepted "with warm approval," and the dinner was held on October 28th, 1929. In proposing a toast to "the Prosperity of the Inner Temple," the Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn referred to the fact that on no previous occasion, so far as was known,³ had the Benchers of the Inner Temple dined with the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn. There existed an old friendship between Inner Temple and Gray's Inn,⁴ dating from before 1561, which was comparable to that between Lincoln's Inn and the Middle Temple. But more frequent celebrations of amity between each of the four Inns had to wait until later in the twentieth century.

1935: THE SILVER JUBILEE OF KING GEORGE V

The Silver Jubilee of the King on Monday, May 6th, 1935, was the occasion of great and extended public celebrations. For its part the Inn cancelled luncheons and dinners for the 6th May, thus allowing the staff a holiday. Council directed the holding of a special chapel service, a Grand Day dinner and a Garden Party on other dates. To its Senior Benchers the Inn presented a specially inscribed and bound set of the Black Books.⁵

1936: DEATH OF KING GEORGE V

The King, Senior Benchers of the Society, died on January 21st, 1936. A letter of condolence was sent to Queen Mary. A memorial service was held in the Chapel on January 28th, the day of the funeral. A suggestion from a student that a full sized statue of the late King should be commissioned and erected in the Inn was dismissed by Council as neither fitting nor desirable.⁶

¹ *The Inns of Court and of Chancery* (1912) p. 153.

² *Post*, p. 289.

³ *Post*, p. 292.

⁴ See *Inner Temple Papers*, by Sir Frank Douglas MacKinnon (Stevens, 1948), pp. 68-70.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 339, 345, 348-349.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 357-358.

1937: CORONATION OF KING GEORGE VI AND QUEEN ELIZABETH

In honour of this event a bonus was given to all members of the permanent staff other than the officials in the Treasury Office.¹

1939–1945: THE SECOND WORLD WAR

1. Prelude: "Munich." In September 1938 Hitler's increasing demands in relation to that part of Czech territory largely occupied by Sudeten Germans were the subject of negotiation by the British Prime Minister, Neville Chamberlain. The demand put forward on the 22nd September at Godesburg for immediate cession was perceived by the authorities and the public as the unacceptable bullying of a small country, and should be resisted with the consequence that war between Britain and Germany might quickly ensue. Hurried preparations were put in hand including the digging of primitive trenches in the public parks of London for the protection of the public against aerial attack. A request came from the Holborn Borough Council to allow trenches to be dug in the Inn for the protection of people living and working there. (An informal census made at the time established that the normal population of the Inn, including 180 residents, was 1790 in term time and 1680 in vacation.) An emergency committee under the chairmanship of Mr. F.H.L. Errington was set up to oversee the preparations. Trenches were laid out in the north garden; supplies of gravel, fire fighting equipment and medical supplies were ordered. Well attended first aid lectures were given by Dr. Russell Thomas, a resident of the Inn. The emergency ended on 30th September with the return of Mr. Chamberlain from Munich. No trenches were dug.² Yet despite the general relief the international situation remained tense and the Inn wary. On January 31st, 1939 an Air Raid Precautions Committee was appointed which by the following July had produced a full report showing that a quantity of equipment had been obtained and making recommendations for action in an emergency.³

2. Outbreak of War: September 1939–August 1940.

(a) "*The phoney war*". For a long period following the declaration of war there was no attack on Britain by Germany. In Lincoln's Inn, however, a number of steps were taken to put the Inn on a war footing. Dinners were discontinued.⁴ A first aid post was established.⁵ The staff were sent for fire fighting training.⁶ Economies were made.⁷ An old gun and a dump of old iron were sold.⁸ As in the 1914–1918 War, the numbers of occupiers of chambers and students keeping terms dwindled; similar concessions of rent⁹ and dispensation as to the keeping of terms¹⁰ were made. The heaviest impact was on the staff. Not only were men called up, but those that remained had to shoulder the additional burdens of air raid precautions.¹¹ The wages of those serving in the armed forces were normally continued, less the amount of their service pay.¹²

¹ *Post*, p. 372.

² *Post*, pp. 383–385.

³ *Post*, pp. 390, 391, 396–397.

⁴ *Post*, p. 397.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 405–406, 409.

⁶ *Post*, p. 407.

⁷ *Post*, p. 411.

⁸ *Post*, p. 409.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 399, 401–402, 404; see *post*, p. 72.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 392–393, 394, 400–401; and see *post*, pp. 71, 74.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 403–404 (porters); 409 (clerks).

¹² *Post*, pp. 432, 434–435, 436.

(b) *The war intensifies.* With the capitulation of France to Germany in June 1940, the threat of an invasion of Britain was greatly increased. The curfew rung every night in the Inn was discontinued from June 12, 1940 in consequence of a government order prohibiting the ringing of church bells save in the event of an invasion by German troops.¹ However, the threat of an immediate invasion was removed by the outcome of the “Battle of Britain.” The German retaliation was confined to air raids.

3. Air raids: September 1940–May 1941. German air raids on London began on September 7th and continued almost nightly until November 24th, 1940. Thereafter there were sporadic though serious raids until the night of 10th/11th May 1941 when the worst of all raids occurred. It left 3000 dead or seriously injured,² and caused much destruction, including the Temple Church.³ That was the last raid until 1944.⁴ Within that period Lincoln’s Inn suffered damage during the following nights.

(a) 9/10 September. Two large high explosive bombs fell on Lincoln House, north of 1 & 2 Stone Buildings. The Post Office in Chancery Lane was also hit. Much glass was broken in all parts of the Inn and other superficial damage was suffered, but no structural damage.⁵

(b) 24/25 September. Sixty incendiary bombs fell on the Inn. All were dealt with by the team of firefighters except one lodged in the eaves of 13 Old Square which later burst into flames and destroyed the top floors of 13 & 14 Old Square, and another which started a fire on the roof of 5 Stone Buildings which spread as far as 3 Stone Buildings. In New Square fires broke out in Nos. 4/5 and 11a which were brought under control. It transpired that No. 11 had been so badly shaken that it was considered unsafe and had to be evacuated. In the same raid a building on the east side of Chancery Lane was burnt, leaving its outer walls standing in a dangerous condition. Against the vigorous protests of the Under Treasurer, the walls were razed by explosives in such a manner as to cause further damage to Stone Buildings and Old Square, more than had been caused by enemy action.⁶ It was later agreed by the Regional Commissioners that damage caused in this way should rank for compensation as war damage.⁷

(c) 16/17 April 1941. Twenty-one incendiary bombs fell on 19 Old Buildings, 9 Old Square and 11 Stone Buildings. All were brought under control by the fire fighting team.⁸

¹ *Post*, p. 411.

² Philip Ziegler, *London at War 1939–1945* (1996), p. 160.

³ Lewer and Dark, *The Temple Church in London* (1997) p. 146.

⁴ The respite followed Germany’s attack on Soviet Russia on 22 June 1941.

⁵ *Post*, p. 412.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 411–414, 416. See illustrations nos. 9 and 10.

⁷ *Post*, p. 418.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 428–429; and see *post*, p. 425 for the team.

(d) "At 11p.m. on 10th May the 'alert' sounded, and a very heavy attack commenced almost at once. Incendiary bombs, which obtained a hold, fell on 1 and 2 Stone Buildings, and before the fire could be put out the top floors were burnt out, and the remaining floors ruined by water. A high explosive bomb fell on No. 3 Stone Buildings, which it practically demolished. A fire was started in the roof on the north side of 13 Old Square which caused considerable damage. Incendiaries fell on the roof of the Hall and on the Old Hall. These were dealt with before they did much damage. Acting Chief Porter Hearn went on to the roof of the Hall, picked up the bomb with his naked hands and threw it on to the terrace. Fortunately he was not injured. A fire started at 11a New Square which was quickly got under control by my son and other fire-watchers. Many windows were again blown out. I am glad to say we had no casualties. Before the 'all clear' went, soon after 5 a.m., we were delighted to hear a blackbird singing lustily. (A pair of blackbirds nested this spring in the Kitchen Garden and reared a brood.)¹"

4. Inns of Court Regiment. The Inns of Court Regiment played virtually no part in the Inn during the Second World War. In December 1940 it was reformed as an armoured car regiment and thereafter trained and served outside London, eventually taking part in the D Day landing. In the meantime the Drill Hall in the Inn was given over to the Home Guard.² The Inns of Court Regiment was reformed and returned to the Inn in 1947.³

5. Repairs. During the war only essential repairs sufficient to make the damaged buildings safe and wind and watertight could be carried out. Thus in the Great Hall, Library and Benchers Rooms where all the windows had been broken, all that could be done was to fill them "in the cheapest way."⁴ As the war progressed, and the air raids ceased, more substantial repairs of war damage became possible. In January 1942 the reglazing of the Benchers rooms could be contemplated,⁵ and by November of the following year over £20,000 had been expended in repairs, most of it recoverable from the War Damage Commission.⁶

6. Pictures, books, MSS., and silver. The pictures and prints were examined at the end of 1940 following the air raids. Some damage had occurred to them and to the coats of arms in the Great Hall. The prints had been damaged by water or blast. Repairs to two pictures were put in hand, but otherwise no repairs were undertaken at that stage.⁷ A few months later, in May 1941 following raids which severely damaged the other Inns, but left Lincoln's Inn largely unscathed, Council "ordered that the most valuable books and papers, silver, pictures and the Black Books be removed to a place or places of greater

¹ Extract from a circular letter dated 15th May 1941 sent by the Under Treasurer to the Benchers.

² From 1945 to 1947 the Law Society used the Drill Hall for lectures in a series of Refresher Courses (Director Mr R.E. Megarry) for hundreds of returning solicitors.

³ For the Inn and the Regiment, see D.M. Hatton *The Devil's Own* (1992) pp. 209–219; for the Memorials and Colours of the Regiment in the Chapel of the Inn, see *ante*, p. 26.

⁴ See *post*, p. 416 for a full list of essential work needed as at November 4th, 1940.

⁵ *Post*, p. 438.

⁶ *Post*, pp. 460–461.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 419–420.

safety, that a duplicate set of the Law Reports be purchased and dealt with in the same way...¹ Some of the mss. were sent to the home of Mr. Pember, an Honorary Bencher living in Shropshire; the pictures and other articles were sent to be stored in the strong room at the home in Worcestershire of Judge Roope Reeve, a bencher.² Unfortunately, two years later that strong room was discovered to be very damp and the pictures stored there were seriously damaged,³ and had to have extensive repairs to the paintwork.⁴ The mss. and the Black Books were returned in June 1943 and were not found to have suffered any deterioration from dampness or any other cause.⁵ The pictures were returned in May 1945.⁶

7. Wartime regime.⁷ The Inn continued to function despite the serious curtailment of social activities and the absence of members of all ages. The admission of alien enemies as students, and their call to the Bar, was prohibited during the War and for some years after it ended.⁸ Permission for the public to use the gardens during the lunch hour throughout the War was especially appreciated.⁹ Wartime denizens of the gardens included a dozen goldfish put into the pond in New Square by the Under Treasurer in June 1939. Six survived and thrived exceedingly until October 1945 when they succumbed to some harmful substance which got into the water.¹⁰

The following events are attributable to the War.

(a) *Offers of assistance to the Inn.* The early damage to the Inn brought immediate offers of hospitality from the Inner Temple¹¹ and Gray's Inn,¹² who were to suffer even greater damage in later raids.

(b) *Canadian Barristers.* In May 1941 a number of Canadian barristers were called to the Bar by each of the four Inns for the limited purpose of representing members of the Canadian forces in British courts.¹³

(c) *The College of Surgeons.* The Inn's near neighbour, the Royal College of Surgeons, was destroyed in 1941. In May 1943 the Inn offered the use of the Great Hall for the College's reception to mark the centenary of its fellowship.¹⁴ In April 1944 the President of the College for the time being was invited to lunch at the Benchers table.¹⁵

(d) *Other offers of hospitality.* (i) In May 1943 the officers of the Royal Canadian Air Force at their headquarters in Lincoln's Inn Fields who were of the rank of Group Captain and above or members of the Canadian Bar were invited to use the Barristers table for lunch.¹⁶ (ii) In June 1944 the Inn

¹ *Post*, p. 430.

² *Post*, p. 431.

³ *Post*, pp. 453-454, 455.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 468-470.

⁵ *Post*, p. 456.

⁶ *Post*, p. 481.

⁷ Appendix 8 contains an account of the working of the Library during the War.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 438, 438-439, 548.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 485-486.

¹⁰ See the Under Treasurer's annual wartime circular letters of information, *passim*. (Copies held in the Library.)

¹¹ *Post*, p. 411.

¹² *Post*, pp. 415, 418.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 425-426, 426-427.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 455, 458; and see *post*, pp. 455, 457 for other proposals.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 464, 466.

¹⁶ *Post*, p. 454.

allowed the use of the gardens for the entertainment of 50 wounded soldiers from Roehampton.¹ (iii) In 1945 educational facilities were accorded to members of the U.S. forces then serving in England.²

8. The final bomb: August 1944. Sporadic German air raids on London resumed in January 1944 and continued until April. Bombs fell in the vicinity, notably on the Middle Temple and St. Dunstan in the West,³ but Lincoln's Inn escaped. In June these raids were replaced by the pilotless flying bombs, or "doodlebugs".⁴ One fell on Sunday, 13th August at the corner of Cursitor Street and Chancery Lane. There were no casualties, but much damage was done to Old Buildings and the roofs of the Old Hall and the Chapel. Most of the windows in Old Square facing Chancery Lane were blown out, and the windows in the Great Hall and Library also suffered.⁵ The flying bombs were succeeded by the totally random rocket bombs. None fell on or near the Inn but in January 1945, it was reported that one had fallen on the home of one of the porters, killing him, his wife and daughter.⁶

9. The post-war period: 1945–1950. The war in Europe ended on May 8th, 1945 and that against the Japanese in the following August. But serious shortages continued throughout this period with rationing of food, clothing and petrol, and strict control of building. Financial resources, too, had to be carefully watched. It took the whole period to repair the war damage, catch up with the neglected maintenance and get back to a normal social programme. The main stages were

1945. (a) Derequisitioning of the large room in the basement of 7 Stone Buildings, formerly used as a students common room.⁷
 (b) Agreement with the War Damage Commission with regard to the Surveyor's fees.⁸
 (c) Execution of the Surveyor's report re war damage and arrears of maintenance be limited to 1 & 2 Stone Buildings.⁹
 (d) Surveyor instructed to obtain estimate and licence to put the windows in order in the Hall and Library.¹⁰
1946. (a) Work authorised to prevent further deterioration of 1, 2 & 3 Stone Buildings.¹¹
 (b) Reglazing and restoration of stonework of the windows of the Chapel and the Old Hall.¹²

¹ *Post*, p. 466.

² *Post*, pp. 476–477, 485.

³ Lewer and Dark, *The Temple Church* (1997), p. 152.

⁴ In July 1944 one owner in New Square was given permission to dig a short slit trench in New Square Garden: *post*, p. 472.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 473–475. In his "Notes" printed as Appendix 8, the then Librarian speaks of a further bomb in November 1944, but there is no record of this in the Black Books.

⁶ *Post*, p. 478.

⁷ *Post*, p. 482.

⁸ *Post*, p. 483.

⁹ *Post*, p. 484–485.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 490.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 494.

¹² *Post*, p. 494.

1947. (a) Application for licence to provide internal staircase in 11a New Square.¹
 (b) Repair of stained glass windows in the Chapel.²
 (c) Information about priorities for repair of war damage.³
 (d) Preparation of plans for the repair of Stone Buildings and 11 New Square to point of applying for licence was ordered.⁴
1948. (a) No system of central heating to be provided in Stone Buildings.⁵
 (b) Surveyor authorised to apply for licences in respect of restoration of Stone Buildings.⁶
 (c) Work on the basements of 3 & 4 Stone Buildings to proceed.⁷
 (d) Full report on reconstruction of Stone Buildings; scheme 2 in the report approved.⁸
1949. (a) Work to proceed on the reconstruction of 11 New Square.⁹
 (b) Tender accepted for reconstruction of 1 & 2 Stone Buildings.¹⁰
 (c) Progress report on war damage repairs to 1 & 2 Stone Buildings.¹¹
1950. Tender accepted for reinstatement of 11 New Square.¹²
1951. Reglazing of Great Hall and Library with stained glass ordered.¹³

10. Support from the Dominions and the United States. The damage suffered by the Inns in 1940/41 elicited messages of sympathy and offers of assistance from the Dominions and the United States. First to arrive were greetings from the General Council of the Bar of the Province of Quebec.¹⁴ More tangible offers of help came from the Canadian¹⁵ and American¹⁶ Bar Associations. With the end of the War in Europe, the Inns set up a joint conference to consider offers of help.¹⁷ The other three Inns had each suffered far worse damage so doubtless they received the lion's share of the assistance being offered. Lincoln's Inn received the following:

- (a) From the Canadian Bar Association: £429.4.4d. Used for repair of war damage.
 (b) From the Canadian Law Society: wood panelling for the reconstruction of 11 New Square.
 (c) From the New Zealand Law Society: £175, being one quarter share of gift to the Inns of £700. Used for repairs to roof of the Great Hall.
 (d) 64 Canadian dollars, being a share of royalties on a book "Inns of Court. The Honourable Society of Osgoode Hall", donated by the authors. Used for the purchase of a silver tankard, suitably inscribed.

11. War Memorial. In November 1947 a Committee was appointed "to consider the feasibility of adapting the existing War Memorial to serve also as a Memorial to Members of the Society killed in the second World War."¹⁸ It reported

¹ *Post*, p. 517.

⁴ *Post*, pp. 521-522.

⁷ *Post*, p. 529.

¹⁰ *Post*, p. 541.

¹³ *Post*, pp. 556, 561.

¹⁶ *Post*, pp. 439, 507, 518.

² *Post*, p. 517.

⁵ *Post*, p. 527.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 531, 533-534.

¹¹ *Post*, pp. 544-545.

¹⁴ *Post*, pp. 426-427.

¹⁷ *Post*, p. 481, 538.

³ *Post*, p. 519.

⁶ *Post*, p. 529.

⁹ *Post*, pp. 540, 541.

¹² *Post*, p. 549.

¹⁵ *Post*, pp. 433-434.

¹⁸ *Post*, p. 521.

favourably,¹ and notices were sent to the Press and to members seeking information about members and the children of members who had lost their lives while serving in the Forces or as a result of enemy action.² About thirty names fell to be commemorated.³ Tablets were commissioned to be placed within the existing memorial.⁴ Admiral of the Fleet Viscount Cunningham of Hyndhope, an Honorary Bencher, accepted an invitation to unveil the additions to the memorial, which he did on May 17th, 1950, in a ceremony following substantially the ceremony after the First World War.⁵ An addition was later found to be necessary.⁶

1945: VISIT OF QUEEN MARY

Queen Mary had been elected a Bencher on November 2nd, 1943, but was unable to visit the Inn until after the end of the War. A full account of her visit on October 31st, 1945, is recorded in the Black Books, which was followed by a request from Her Majesty for prints of the photographs of the event in *The Times*.⁷

1953: CORONATION OF QUEEN ELIZABETH II

The Coronation of the Queen on June 3 was marked in the Inn by a Special Grand Day on June 10 and a cocktail party for Benchers and Barristers on June 30. The Inn also underwrote in part a ball for Students organised by the Inns of Court Students Union. Each member of the permanent staff received a bonus of £5 "to assist them in celebrating the Coronation," and each child under the age of 16 years of the Inn's servants was given a Crown piece as a Coronation present.⁸

1957: VISIT OF AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION

In mid-July a second⁹ visit of the American Bar Association to London took place. Each Inn undertook to entertain to dinner 750 delegates, so that three dinners had to be provided.¹⁰ There was also much private hospitality. It all went smoothly. On July 30th Council passed a vote of thanks to the Under Treasurer, Head Butler and the Chef and their staffs.¹¹

¹ *Post*, p. 525.

² *Post*, p. 528.

³ *Post*, p. 535.

⁴ *Post*, p. 542.

⁵ *Post*, pp. 545, 548, 550.

⁶ *Post*, p. 552.

⁷ *Post*, pp. 486–487, 488.

⁸ *Post*, pp. 575, 577, 579–580, 580, 581 (financial report on cocktail party).

⁹ The first was in 1924: see *ante*, p. 61.

¹⁰ *Post*, pp. 608, 615, 619, 622.

¹¹ *Post*, p. 624.

ROYAL BENCHERS 1914-1965



1. H.R.H. the Duke of York (1892).
Later H.M. King George V.



2. H.R.H. Prince George (1932).
Later the Duke of Kent.



3. H.M. Queen Mary (1943).



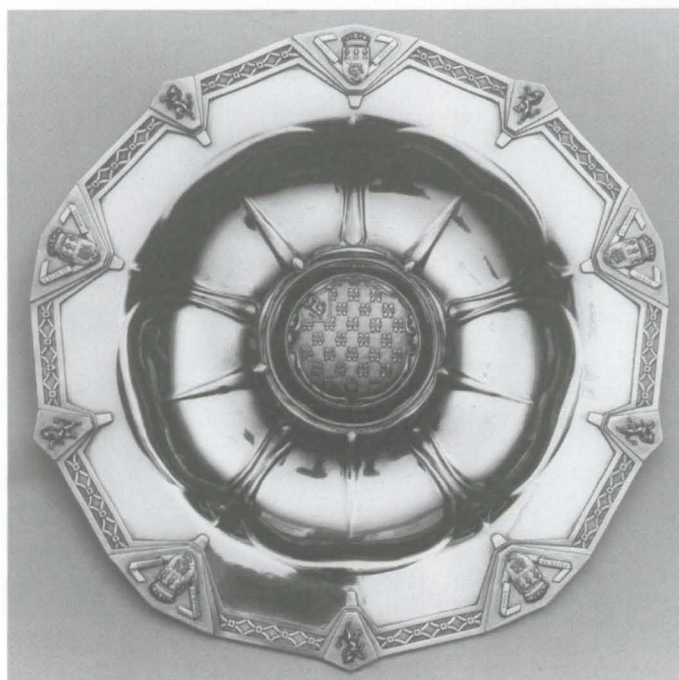
4. H.R.H. Princess Margaret (1956).



5. Repairing and rebuilding the Old Hall (1925 - 1928)



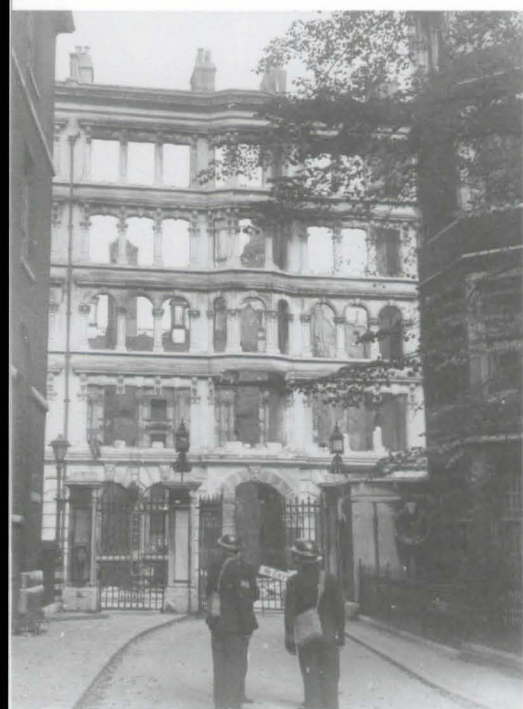
6. Inn's Craftsmen engaged in the restoration of the Old Hall accompanied by the Architect and his assistant (hatted), and the Treasurer and Officers.



7. Silver gilt Rosebowl (hall mark 1932). The gift of Lord Blanesburgh. For description, see p. 319.



8. Bomb damage to 9 Stone Buildings



9. Bomb damage in Chancery Lane, east side.



10. A controlled explosion!
see page 65

and

BOMBED-OUT SISTERS TRANSFORM CRYPT TO BED-SITTING ROOM

THREE sisters have been housekeeping for over four months in the crypt of a London church.

They are Mrs. Perry, aged 78, Mrs. Lister, 72, and Mrs. Bugden, 68, who were bombed out of their home in Battersea in September.

So they made themselves a "bed-sitter," complete with kitchenette and H. and C. in the crypt.

Their bed consists of four barristers' benches, the kitchenette is a solicitor's bookcase, the "H" a tin kettle in a porter's lodge and the "C" a tap in a courtyard.

FLOOR OF TOMBSTONES

Their table is spread next great piers where Pepys used to walk and sometimes shelter from the rain. Their ceiling of roses and ribbing was carved by master craftsmen hundreds of years ago.

Their floor, covered with a Turkey carpet, is made of tombstones of 17th century judges.

Each morning the milkman leaves the milk next a blue shelter lantern by a "front door" of sandbags.

THEY FEED THE CATS

They have the crypt to themselves because others object to the cold and to sleeping over graves. All their meals are eaten in the crypt.

Mrs. Bugden still works as office cleaner nearby.

One of the sisters goes daily to feed their own and the neighbours' cats in bombed houses.

Fired Barn, Tried to Derail Train

Two 13-year-old boys who lived at an approved school set fire to blankets and mattresses in the school billiard room, absconded through a window and made two attempts to derail trains.

This was related when the boys were charged at Horsham (Sussex) Juvenile Court yesterday with setting fire to a barn at a farm at West Grinstead on December 9 and with putting sleepers and rails on fire.



Mrs. Charlotte Lister (right), who is 72, and Mrs. Rosie Bugden, 68, peeling potatoes and (in top picture) having breakfast in their crypt home

Home-Grown Timber Output Spurts

Lord Portal, Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Supply, said in the House of Lords yesterday.

A.T.S. Dependants' Allowances Scaled

CAPTAIN MARGESSON, War Minister, in a written reply in the House of Commons yesterday, dealing with the proposed dependants' allowances scheme for the A.T.S., said:

If the average weekly contribution of an A.T.S. member towards the support of dependants during the six months preceding her service was between 5s. and 9s., the allowance would be 7s. 6d.; between 9s. and 15s. it would be 13s.; between 15s. and 20s. it would be 18s.; and if it exceeded 20s. the allowance would be 21s. 6d.

A special rate of 25s. (including a contributory allotment) might be granted to a dependant living alone or as a member of a household having no other income, if the A.T.S. member's previous contribution had amounted to 24s. a week or more.

Members of the A.T.S. in receipt of pay at less than 2s. 6d. a day would contribute 8d. a day towards any allowance awarded.

A.T.S. members receiving

Minister Tests 'Flu Vaccine

Mr. Malcolm MacDonald, Minister of Health, and 350 members of the Department's staff, have been inoculated as an experiment.



12. Norman Y. Marriott, Under Treasurer, and his son Robert, Acting Night Watchman; in charge of Air Raid Precautions throughout the Second World War.

13. 1921. Unveiling of
War Memorial by
Rt. Hon. H.H. Asquith,
K.C., M.P. (on left).



14. 1950. Unveiling of additions to War Memorial by Admiral of the Fleet Viscount Cunningham of Hyndhope.

15. Artist and subjects of "A Short Adjournment." (1958).



EXTRACTS FROM THE BLACK BOOKS 1914-1965

BOOK XLII

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1914. [p. 521]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Benchers of the other Inns be requested to concur in such an amendment of the Consolidated Regulations as will enable the Benchers of any Inn in addition to dispensing with terms as already provided by such Regulations to dispense with the keeping of any term by any Student who shall be or shall have been unable to keep such term by reason of his being a member of the Forces of the Crown or otherwise engaged in connection with the War and notwithstanding that the total number of terms dispensed with in the case of any Student may exceed two." [p. 528]

"Ordered that no entertainment be given on Grand night in the next ensuing term." [p. 528]

"Ordered that a contribution of £1,000 be made to the War Relief Fund and that the distribution to be referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 528]

"The Treasurer¹ referred to a communication received from one of the Clerks in the Steward's office who has joined the Forces and to the cases of three of the Porters of the Society who are with the Territorials and Reserves Ordered that the cases be referred to the Finance Committee to decide the amounts in each case." [p. 528]

"Read the Steward's report of the death of Charles Churchill late a pensioner [sometime vestibule porter] of the Honourable Society." [p. 529]

"Ordered that the question whether any holder of Chambers who loses a sub-tenant who goes to serve in the War, should be indemnified by relief from some part of the rent be referred to the Building and Finance Committees." [p. 530]

Officers for 1915. [pp. 529, 562, 563]

Treasurer: Edward Cutler, K.C.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Buckley.

Dean of the Chapel: Sir Kenneth Muir Mackenzie, G.C.B., K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Sir William Phipson Beale, Bt., K.C.

Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr Justice Neville.

¹ Lord Justice Kennedy.

Council held on November 2nd, 1914. [p. 531]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Council received the following resolution unanimously adopted at a Special meeting of the General Council of the Bar.

"That the General Council of the Bar, being moved by feelings of profound sympathy with their confreres of the Belgian Bar, desire to give them every assistance in their power. To that end they instruct their secretary to open a register on which may be placed the names of any Belgian Advocats in this Country during the War. Such register to be at the disposal of any persons desirous of obtaining any advice or assistance of a Belgian Lawyer.

"The Council further venture to suggest to the Benchers of the Four Inns of Court that Belgian Advocates should be invited to make use of the Halls, Libraries and Common Rooms of the Four Inns during their stay in this country."¹ [pp. 536, 537]

"Ordered upon the Motion of the Treasurer that Belgian and French Judges and Advocats during their stay may use the Library and Refreshment Room of the Inn.

"That the Common Room Committee be recommended to extend the like privilege to the Common Room of the Inn.

"That any Belgian or French Judge or Avocat must be introduced by a Member of the Inn of not less than five years standing." [p. 538]

Read and adopted the report of the Finance and Buildings Committees which recommended the following order being made by the Bench:

"that in cases where a tenant of the Society by reason of his being a Member of the Forces of the Crown or otherwise serving in connection with the war is unable to use his Chambers or from the like cause loses his undertenants or loses the rent for the time being by holding over the rooms for such undertenants The Masters of the Bench will upon application consider favourably each case on its merits with the view of making an allowance in respect of rent to such tenants."

"Ordered that these Committees be empowered to deal with each case according to the circumstances." [p. 539]

Read the following Report of the Finance Committee.

Upon considering the question of the distribution of the sum voted by the Council for the Relief Funds referred to the Committee by the Council It was Resolved to recommend to the Bench that the following contributions be made

£300 to the Prince of Wales Fund

£150 to Queen Mary's Fund

£250 to The Officers' Families Fund

¹ This was done: see *post*, p. 8.

£150 to The Red Cross Fund

£150 to The Belgian Refugees' Committee

It was also resolved to recommend to the Bench that the following amounts be paid until further Order to those servants of the Society who have gone to the War

1. In regard to Mr. N.Y. Marriott to keep his place open and make up his salary with deductions therefrom of any sums and allowances received by him from the Government.

2. In regard to Barber no allowance in money but place to be kept open for him. The Committee being satisfied that his wife and children are properly provided for.

3. In regard to Steele [same as Barber].

4. In regard to Aldridge the gardener grant the sum of 2/6 per week.

Read a communication from Benjamin Barrios Esq., a native of Mexico, a Barrister of the Inn [called June 1912] which read in part

"In this moment of trouble and danger I cannot be indifferent and I want to be one of yours in the hour of suffering, as I have been one in your moments of work and joy.

"I place myself to the orders of the Inn, and my services can be offered if you think it proper, to the War Office or to the Foreign Office.

"I imagine that I can be of some service on account of my knowledge of languages. I speak Spanish, English, French, Italian, and enough German and Portuguese.

"I am perfectly willing to pay all my expenses back to London and my services if considered useful will be without the slightest recompense and for as long time as required ..."

"Ordered the Treasurer be invited to write to Mr Barrios and to the War Office." [pp. 541, 542]

Read the following communication from Mr Whitebrook dated October 18th, 1914 and written from 24 Old Square.

"Mr. S.B. Caulfield of 23 Old Square, is interested with myself in the promotion of a Holborn Corps, affiliated to the Central Volunteer Force and organised with the approval of the War Office. We wish among other drills to have one occasionally between five and six, an hour convenient to those who do not live in Holborn. Could you grant permission to us to use the roadway in any part of the Inn for the purpose?

"I am assured that you will pardon my tender of a request, which may incur a refusal, but will in any case enable me to feel that I have done my best to secure a convenient ground."

"Ordered that Mr. Whitebrook be informed that the Masters of the Bench regret that they cannot grant this request." [p. 543]

Read a petition from 18 Students that they be admitted to membership of the Common Room, at that time confined to Barristers. The petition read in part:

"We understand that the membership of the Common Room is not open to non-barristers, that this exclusion of non-barrister members has been enforced for the last two years or more

From information at our disposal we understand that Membership of the Common Room in the other three Inns is open to both barristers and students"

"Ordered that the matter be referred to the Building Committee to consider what can be done and report to the Bench." [p. 544, 545]

Special Council held on November 10th, 1914. [p. 546]

Ten Benchers present.

Upon the Petition of William Lawson Walford Campbell, Magdalen College, Oxford, B.A., a Fellow of this Society setting forth that he was admitted on the 3rd day of June 1910 had attained the age of twenty one years kept twelve Terms Commons passed a Public Examination to the satisfaction of the Council of Legal Education and praying to be called to the Bar this Term being presented and read the consideration thereof and the call of the said William Lawson Walford Campbell were moved by Nathaniel Micklem Esq., K.C. pursuant to an Order of Council of the 11th day of December 1789, the prescribed Declaration having been duly signed by Mr Campbell.

[Nine further petitions in the same form by other Petitioners follow.]

Special Council held on November 13th, 1914. [p. 551]

Three Benchers present.

Ordered that Messrs William Lawson Walford Campbell [and the other nine petitioners] whose Petitions and Declarations were read and their Calls moved at the last Council as specifically set out in the Minutes of that Council pages [546] to [550] be published in the Hall on Tuesday the 17th November.

Upon the Petition of Mohamed Wahid-Uddin Hyder that a certificate may be granted to him of his Admission Call to the Bar and of his deportment It is Ordered accordingly. [p. 552]

Upon similar Petitions from [nine others] the like Order was made.

Council held on November 25th, 1914. [p. 553]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Ordered upon the Motion of the Treasurer that the concurrence of the other Inns in the proposition for the amendment of Consolidated Regulations which was passed by the Bench on the 12th October, 1914, having been signified to this Inn, the proposition be hereby approved and the same be communicated to the Council of Legal Education." [p. 558]

Read the following communication from the Solicitor dated November 16th, 1914. [*pp.* 558, 559]

"Elliott v. Kekewich

"I enclose Mr. Elliott's receipt for the £450 in full settlement of the above action, and all claims by him against the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench.¹

"The Masters of the Bench may like to see the enclosed letter, from Mr. Boydell Houghton to Mr. McCardie.

"I also enclose the unpaid cheque for £365.18s.7d. which has been in my hands since July 1901."

Upon consideration of the matter of an invitation to the Bench consequent upon the death of Thomas Halhed Fischer, Esq., K.C., It was Ordered that the vacancy be filled by the invitation of a member of the Inner Bar. [*p.* 559]

Members of the Bench were appointed to the Standing Committees as follows (with number of members in addition to the Treasurer) [*pp.* 559-561]

Special Committee (Students) (6)

Finance (16)

Building and Chambers (6)

Library (20)

Chapel (11)

Wine (11)

Kitchen (5)

Members representing the Inn on various bodies were listed.

A list of Annual Donations was confirmed, viz. Charing Cross Hospital (£105); The Barristers Benevolent Association (£100); The Inns of Court Mission (£100); The Bishop of London's Fund (£100); The Royal Free Hospital (£52.10s.); The Selden Society (£50); United Law Clerks' Society (£21); The Rev. J.L. Evans, Holy Trinity Church, Lincoln's Inn Fields (£21); The Rev. E.M. Daniell, Church of St. Anselm and St. Cecilia, late Sardinia Street Chapel, Lincoln's Inn Fields (£21); The Society of Comparative Legislation (£21); The Charity Organisation Society (£20); The Public Dispensary, Clare Market (£10.10s.); The Vicar of St. Clements Danes, as Easter offerings (£10.10s.); The Rector of St. Giles in the Fields, as Easter offerings (£10.10s.); The Children's Country Holiday Fund, St. Giles Branch (£10.10s.)²

¹ The action was between George Samuel Elliott and The Treasurer and Masters of the Bench. Sir Arthur Kekewich was the Treasurer in 1902. Elliott was cook and purveyor to the Society from 1873 until 1901 when he was given notice: see 5BB.lxxvi, lxxvii, 184, 190, 270, 296, 348.

² This was the regular pattern of annual donations: see Book 43, pp. 91-93 (1915); pp. 451-452 (1918) (not extracted); and see *post*, p. 222 (1924).

"Read a communication from the Committee of the Common Room of a resolution empowering the Hon: Secretary to allow the Common Room to be used by such of the Belgian or French Advocats as do receive permission from the Bench to use the Library of the Inn." [p. 563]

"Read a communication from the Committee of the Common Room that they have in accordance with Rule 4, elected Mr. Robert Wilberforce, a student of Inner Temple and Secretary of Mr. Harry Johnson, a Member of the Common Room. [p. 563]

Read the following communication from the Charing Cross Hospital, dated November 14th, 1914.

"With reference to your letter of the 13th, ult., I now have pleasure to inform you that at the monthly Meeting of the Council held on Thursday last, The Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn was duly elected as a Vice President of the Hospital in respect of the generous donation of 100 guineas from the Masters of the Bench of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn."

[signed W. Alvey, Secretary] [pp. 563, 564]

"Ordered that the Chief Porter, Ex. Col. Serj. Brock be allowed to join His Majesty's Forces during the continuation of the War and that the Society make up to him the difference between his Civil and Military pay and allowances.

"Ordered that it be referred to the Finance Committee to make any arrangements necessitated by the above order." [pp. 564, 565]

Adjourned Council held on December 15th, 1914. [p. 566]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the India Office forwarding the Rules finally issued by the Government of India for the encouragement of Officers on leave in England, who wish to prosecute their legal studies at one of the Inns of Court: Ordered that the same be acknowledged." [p. 567]

"Ordered that Albert Charles Clauson, Esq., K.C., a Barrister of this Society and one of His Majesty's Counsel learned in the Law, be invited to the Bench, and that Thomas Raffles Hughes, Esq., K.C. and Thomas Henry Carson, Esq., K.C., be invited to convey this Invitation and to report the answer and if the said Albert Charles Clauson shall accept the Invitation he is according to the Rules of this Society to pay all his arrears of Dues and Duties before he is published to the Bench." [pp. 559, 567, 568]

"A communication from H.W. Marigold Esq., a Barrister of this Society, [called April 1893] relating to the proposal for 'Fusion' was ordered to be acknowledged as received." [p. 568]

August-December 1914

Treasurer: Lord Justice Kennedy

The following Benchers died during the above period

1. November 1 Thomas Halhed Fischer, K.C.
2. December 31 Hon. Sir Edward Macnaghten, Bt., K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Fischer. b.1830. Equity Professor at the Inns of Court 1883; Master in Lunacy

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. A.C. Clauson
2. Hon. M.M. Macnaghten

1915

Council held on January 11th, 1915. [p. 569]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

"Ordered that William Lawson Walford Campbell, one of the Tancred Law Students be in pursuance of the Will of Christopher Tancred Esq., [be] appointed by the Treasurer to make a Speech or Oration in Latin in the Public Dining Hall of this Society at 5.30 o'clock precisely on Tuesday the 26th January in Commemoration of the several Donations established by the Will of the said Christopher Tancred." [p. 570]

"Read a further communication from H.W. Marigold Esq., on the question of 'Fusion' Ordered that the communication be acknowledged as received." [p. 578]

Upon consideration of the matter of an invitation to the Bench consequent upon the death of the Hon. Sir Edward Charles Macnaghten, Bart., K.C.,¹ it was Ordered that the vacancy be filled by the invitation of a member of the Outer Bar. [p. 578]

Council held on February 1st, 1915. [p. 590]

Forty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

The Hon. Malcolm Martin Macnaghten. [pp. 578, 596]

Read the Report of the Special Committee on the complaint by the Central Criminal Court Bar Mess against a Barrister of this Inn for habitual touting.

¹Wrongly described in 5BB.395 as "the Hon. Edward Charles Macnaghten, K.C." He had succeeded to the baronetcy held by his father, Lord Macnaghten, on the latter's death in 1913.

Resolved, accepting the recommendation of the Special Committee that the Barrister, named only as "Mr. E.W."¹, be severely censured. [pp. 593–596]

"Ordered that a contribution be given towards providing waterproof capes for the Special Constabulary of the E Division as requested in the letter from Messrs. Henry Hilbery & Son dated 28th January 1915 ..." [p. 597]

Council held on February 23rd, 1915. [p. 598]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Francis Henry Launcelot Errington [pp. 596, 601]

Ordered payment to the Bar Library Committee of £191.6s.10d. upon the basis of Members in the Law List 1914, viz. L.I. 2674: I.T. 4597: M.T. 3490: G.I. 1050.² [p. 600]

"The Treasurer referred to an application from the "First British Field Hospital for Serbia" which was referred to the Finance Committee."³ [p. 601]

"The application from the Secretary of the Victoria Park Wesley Guild to be allowed to visit the Inn with a party on Saturday afternoon, April 10th, 1915, was granted." [p. 601]

"Read the application for the use of the Dining Hall for a Military Hospital: Ordered that a reply be sent that the Bench cannot at present accede to the application." [p. 602]

Adjourned Council held on March 23rd, 1915. [p. 603]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Middle Temple.

"At a Special Parliament held on the 13th February 1914.

"Whereas Mr. S. Beach Chester, a Barrister of this Inn appeared before the Bench on this day to answer a charge of having written and sent certain letters to a lady and to other persons, her relatives, on dates between May 25th and 31st 1913, wherein he alleged misconduct by the said lady with himself, and threatened to expose her by the means amongst others, of an action for breach of promise of marriage and to bring disgrace on her and her relatives by such exposure, unless consent was given to her marriage with him, and Whereas in pursuance of his threat he commenced an action for breach of promise and withdrew the same just before trial, and Whereas he, the said Mr. S. Beach Chester, admitted the writing and sending of the said letters and the bringing of the said action It was ORDERED that the said Mr. S. Beach Chester be, and he is hereby

¹ Francis Joseph Egerton-Warburton, called Trinity Term 1906. For the use of initials in disciplinary cases: see 4BB.179.

² See 5BB.xxii, lxxx, for the relevance of these statistics.

³ See *post*, pp. 79, 81.

disbarred ...

"The said Mr. S. Beach Chester subsequently appealed to the Lord Chancellor and the Judges, and on the 16th Day of February, 1915, the said appeal was dismissed." [pp. 606, 607]

Read and adopted the following Report of the Finance Committee [p. 607].

"The Finance Committee beg to report that they have considered the application of the First British Field Hospital for Serbia referred to them by the Council and recommend that a donation of £50 be made.

"The Committee also report that in the case of Mr. N.Y. Marriott, a Clerk in the Steward's office who now holds a Commission as 2nd Lieutenant and is acting as Brigade Musketry Instructor, they recommend that he be paid half his salary i.e. £125 per annum, in lieu of the previous arrangement, as from the 25th December 1914."

Read the Report of the Building Committee upon the Petition of students as to the use of the Common Room referred to them by the Council from which the following extracts and summaries are made.

"They [the Building Committee] have also considered a second Petition by Students dated 25th January 1915 and have considered the practicability and expense of a scheme for a separate Common Room for Students which they are unable to recommend the Council to entertain."

The Committee asked the Members of the Common Room Committee whether they "would now be disposed to consider a re-admission of Students either as heretofore or with such restrictions as to user of the rooms or times of user or both as may seem desirable. The number of Students who kept Hilary Term last was about 100, 40 European and 60 others."

The reply from the Secretary of the Common Room Committee was that from informal inquiries "it would appear that the opinion of the majority is against any alteration in the present arrangements. If desired a Meeting could be called to ascertain the views of the members as a whole."

The Secretary continued: "If however the Bench should be of the opinion that Students ought to be admitted the Committee would be glad to further consider the matter and if desired by the Bench to make suggestion as to the conditions under which such admission should be allowed. The kind of restrictions which occur to the Committee at present would be a limit of numbers and annual election by the Committee and possibly the reservation of certain parts of the Rooms for Barristers only."

The Building Committee desired to have the further instructions of the Bench.

Council "Ordered that the Report be referred back to the Building Committee with intimation from the Bench that the Bench would be glad if

some arrangement could be come to by which Students of the Inn should have some advantage from the Common Room . . ." [pp. 608-610]

The following extract is from a letter dated March 12th, 1915, from the son of Lord Justice Kennedy.

"I write on behalf of the family of the late Lord Justice Kennedy to say that we should like to present some suitable gift to Lincoln's Inn in memory of his long and distinguished connections with the Inn.

"It has occurred to us that the Inn might care to have a crayon drawing by George Richmond R.A., Lady Kennedy's father, of Vice Chancellor Wigram."

"Ordered that the portrait be accepted with grateful thanks by the Treasurer." [pp. 611, 612]

"Ordered that there be no Grand Day in Easter Term." [p. 612]

"Read a communication from Miss Witt offering a painting of the ceremony of opening the Hall in 1845 in her possession for sale to the Society for £20 which was declined." [p. 612]

Council held on April 13th, 1915. [p. 613]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Read the following Petition of Carleton Kemp Allen, dated March 21st, 1915.

"Thanks for your letter of March 19th. I note what you say with regard to allowance of terms. My difficulty is that I am holder of the Eldon Law Scholarship, and am required as one of the terms of the trust to produce certificates of regular keeping of terms. The trustees have already informed me that the instalments will be paid as usual if terms are allowed by my Inn. This means sending in certificates for current terms, but I gather from what you say that petitions for allowance of terms are only to be presented on return from service, when the petitioner desires to proceed to a call to the Bar. In the circumstances, would it be any use petitioning now for allowance of current terms as they occur, instead of at a later date for all terms missed while on active service."

"Ordered that terms be allowed." [p. 615, 616]

"The Dean of the Chapel referred to a communication received from the Chaplain relative to his acting as Temporary Chaplain to the Forces for three months on providing a substitute which was agreed to." [pp. 617, 618]

BOOK XLIII

Council held on May 10th, 1915. [p. 1]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Read the report of the Council of Legal Education dated April 13th, 1915, from which the following extracts are taken.

"The number of Students has been reduced in consequence of the War." Tables in Appendix II show that in Michaelmas term 1914 96 were examined in the Final Exam of whom 50 passed. The corresponding figures in the previous year were 198 and 102. In Hilary term 80 sat the final of whom 44 passed. The figures for Hilary 1914 were 194 and 100. [pp. 5-7]

Read and adopted the Report of the Council of Legal Education dated March 18th, 1915. The Report recommended the insertion of a new clause in the Consolidated Regulations dated October 12th, 1914.

"37A. Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 37 and without prejudice to and in addition to the other powers of dispensation conferred by these Regulations, the Masters of the Bench of any Inn may dispense with the keeping of any Term or Terms by any Student of their Inn who shall be or shall have been unable to keep such term or terms by reason of his being or having been a Member of the Forces of the Crown during the present War or otherwise engaged in connection with the War." [p. 8]

Read and adopted a recommendation of the Finance Committee that a donation of £50 be made to The First Field Hospital for Serbia.¹ [p. 14]

A communication relative to the Officers Families Fund was referred to the Finance Committee. [p. 14]

"Ordered that there be no Grand Day in Trinity Term." [p. 15]

"An application from the Inns of Court Reserve Corps was referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 15]

"A communication relative to Lord Roberts' Memorial Fund was referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 15]

"A communication from the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies relative to an Ordinance to establish a Council of the Bar in Mauritius was

¹ Already dealt with at p. 79 *ante*.

referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar for consideration and report." [p. 16]

Council held on June 1st, 1915. [p. 17]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read and adopted a recommendation of the Finance Committee that a further donation of £500 be made to the Officers' Families Fund. [pp. 20, 21]

Upon consideration of the further report of the Building Committee relative to the use of the Common Room by Students

"Ordered that a letter be written to the Committee of the Common Room asking whether they wish for any alteration in the regulations relating to the Common Room and to ask them to express their view upon the suggestions made by the Building Committee in their report of May 4th, 1915, and that the further consideration of the report be adjourned."

"The Motion of Ernest Laurence Levett Esq., K.C. that it is not desirable to make any alteration in the Rules of the Common Room was adjourned until next Council." [p. 21]

"It was Ordered that, except during regular Dining Terms, Council Dinners will be held at 7 p.m. instead of 6 p.m. and Councils be held at a corresponding later hour." [p. 22]

"The Dean of the Chapel reported the arrangements made by the Chaplain for his successor in the Chapel during his absence." [p. 22]

Council held on June 21st, 1915. [p. 39]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Read and adopted the Report dated June 2nd, 1915 of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar. The report contained a resolution of the Joint Committee that Ordinance No. 36 of 1914 of the Legislature of Mauritius to establish a Council of the Bar there was objectionable and in particular that the powers contained in Sections 7 to 11 inclusive should not be conferred on the proposed Council. [pp. 40, 653]

Read the fourth report of the Committee appointed to carry into effect the scheme for encouraging Reading in Barrister's Chambers. It contains the following passage.

"Since the War began the applications for grants have almost entirely ceased, owing, no doubt, to the fact that so many of the students, and recently called Barristers, are engaged in Military Service." [pp. 44, 45]

Resolved

That the four panels of old glass remaining in the north window [of the Chapel] be removed and the whole of the lower part of that window left for the Coats of Arms of the recent Treasurers.

That the four panels thus removed be placed two and two in the topmost panels of the north and south windows respectively.

That it be an instruction to the Chapel Committee and the Building Committee jointly to enquire and report what glass should be used to fill the remaining panels in each of the north and south windows. [pp. 45, 46]

Upon reading a recommendation of the Chapel Committee that this Inn adopt the course which has already been adopted by the Temple as to their Choir Boys at the City of London School. Approve admission of Boys to training Corps of City of London School and agree to pay their expenses. [p. 46]

Resolved "that leave be given to Platoon No. 4 of the Inns of Court Reserve Corps to use the Gardens for Drill on Sundays until further Order, except while Service is proceeding in the chapel." [p. 46]

"Read the Steward's report of the death of Mrs. Lunnon a pensioner of this Honourable Society and widow of the late Third Butler." [p. 47]

Read a communication from the First and Second Clerks in the Steward's Office which was referred to the Finance Committee. It contains the following passage:

"... we have since August last been and still are performing the duties of the third clerk, who is attached to H.M. Forces and as the duration of the War is uncertain we venture to ask that you may be pleased favourably to recognise our service by awarding us such remuneration as you may consider the work merits." [p. 47]

An application from the Rev. J.L. Evans for the use of the gardens on Saturday afternoon the 10th of July for his Infant Sunday School Treat as heretofore was granted." [p. 48]

Adjourned Council held on July 20th, 1915. [p. 49]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Read the Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider a complaint against Mr. Pestonji Cursetji Tarapore, a Barrister of the Inn, of improper conduct in relation to a suit before him as the judge of the Civil Court of the State of Jawhar, a second class Native State in India. The Special Committee recommended that he be disbarred and expelled from this Honourable Society, a recommendation which Council accepted and so Ordered. [pp. 53-56]

The Finance Committee reported "that they considered the question of the investment of the funds of the Society in the War Loan and came to the conclusion that at present it was not advisable to do so on the terms available."

The Committee also reported "that they have considered the desirability of insuring the property of the Society against aircraft on the Government scheme and they are of opinion that the existing Fire Policies of the Society should be duplicated for that purpose."

The Committee also reported "that they have arranged for the entertainment by the Benchers of 20 wounded soldiers on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday of

each week during the months of July, August and September. The hospitals in the locality most needing such assistance have been invited to send guests."

"The wounded soldiers have already been entertained 4 times in the Inn with the most satisfactory result."

The Finance Committee's Report was adopted with amendment substituting "any number up to 30" for 20.

The Finance Committee also recommended the appointment of a permanent Chairman of that Committee who would make an annual statement to the Bench, subject to the right of the Treasurer to preside if he thinks fit. Council agreed and appointed Lord Wrenbury permanent Chairman of the Finance Committee. [pp. 56, 57]

Council considered a further Report of the Building Committee upon the petition of Students of the Society as to Membership of the Common Room. It set out the negotiations with the Committee of the Common Room in considerable detail. Council resolved that it was not desirable to make any alteration in the Rules of the Common Room. [pp. 57-62]

"An application from the Royal Commission on Historical Monuments for permission to make a detailed survey of the ancient buildings of Lincoln's Inn and detailed drawings of the ancient glass in the windows of the Chapel and to be allowed to take photographs required by the Commission was granted." [p. 62]

"The application from the Social and Political Education League for the use of the Old Hall for a Meeting on Friday the 23rd July, 1915, was granted." [p. 62]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1915. [p. 63]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

The Dean of the Chapel referred to a communication he has received from the Chaplain. Ordered that the Order of the Finance Committee [of July 28th extending the Chaplain's leave so as to enable him to take a temporary commission as Chaplain to the Forces] be approved. [pp. 64, 65]

"Upon the Motion of Paul Ogden Lawrence, Esq., K.C., that in view of the appeal made by the Prime Minister and Mr. Bonar Law at the Guildhall on Tuesday the June 29th, 1915, to all classes of His Majesty's subjects to economise by reducing all unnecessary expenditure upon superfluous comfort or luxuries and thereby to increase the resources which can be put at the disposal of the State in case of need It was Ordered.

"That it be an instruction to the Kitchen Committee to arrange that during the continuance of the War, the Dinner at the Bench Table shall be simpler and less expensive.

"That every Benchers (other than a Benchers who is on the Rota for the night in question) Barrister or Student intending to dine in Hall shall be required to notify such intention to the Steward not later than 2 p.m. on the day [on] which he intends to dine." [p. 65]

Council held on November 2nd, 1915. [p. 66]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

Read and adopted the Report of the Building Committee dated October 26th, 1915.

"The Building Committee have to report that at 9.25 on Wednesday the 13th October an air raid was made upon this neighbourhood and a considerable amount of superficial damage was done throughout the Inn but comparatively little structural damage.

"Explosive bombs were dropped close to the Chapel, upon No. 9 New Square and in Chancery Lane, an incendiary bomb on the roadway between the Common Rooms and No. 7 Stone Buildings and another incendiary bomb on the roof of No. 8 Stone Buildings.

"The whole of the damage is covered by a Government Aircraft Policy and steps have been taken to arrive at an early settlement of the Society's claims." [pp. 66, 67]

"Resolved that the Bench express their appreciation of the conduct of the three men mentioned in the accompanying letter on the occasion of the Air Raid and that it be referred to the Finance Committee to consider whether any and what further recognition of their services should be offered." [pp. 67]

"The consideration of the damage done to the glass windows in the chapel was ordered to stand over till the claim on the Insurance is settled."

Read the following letter dated 20 October 1915 from Captain Ryan, Acting Adjutant, Inns of Court O.T.C.

"It has been brought to my notice from many quarters that there is a strong desire that the depression caused by the bomb on the roadway by the side of Lincoln's Inn Chapel should not be filled in but preserved by the erection of a railing or chain and posts to constitute a lasting record of the Zeppelin Raid in this part of London ..." [pp. 67, 68]

Read a report of the Committee appointed for the entertainment of wounded soldiers. It showed that over a period from mid July to the end of September 883 men from seven hospitals had been entertained. Ordered that [the Committee] do consider whether some form of entertainment can be continued after this term.

Officers for 1916. [pp. 69, 91]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Wrenbury.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Muir Mackenzie, G.C.B.

Dean of the Chapel: Sir William Phipson Beale, Bt., K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Neville.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Viscount Haldane.¹

¹ In the Black Books, here and elsewhere, Lord Haldane's title is given as "Viscount Haldane of Cloan". This is not correct: see Heuston's *Lives of the Lord Chancellor's 1885-1940* (1964) p. 213.

Read the following communication from the Hon. Sec. to the Common Room, dated October 23rd, 1915, which was referred to the Kitchen Committee.

"In consequence of the death of the late Manager of the Common Room, the Committee are considering the advisability of making different arrangements to those in the past as to the catering for the Rooms and it has been suggested that as the Masters of the Bench provide luncheons at the Luncheon Room, they might perhaps also make arrangements to provide luncheons etc. at the Common Room. If, however, the Masters of the Bench do not think fit to do this may the Committee assume that the Benchers will not have any objection to the Committee making arrangements to have the catering of the Rooms done by a contractor if the Committee think it advisable to do so." [p. 69, 70]

"Read the Steward's Report of the death of Mr. Hy Carvill late a pensioner of the Hon. Society." [p. 70]

E.L. Levett, Esq., K.C., referred to the subject of luncheons on the Sundays when the Warburton Lectures are delivered during the War: Ordered that no luncheons be served during the War. [p. 72]

Resolved that the Bench desire to express their appreciation of James Brock (Chief Porter) Hugh Stanley Brock, James Hiley Buckthorpe and Thomas Kelley on the occasion of the Air Raid on the October 13th, 1915, and refer it to the Finance Committee to consider whether any and what further recognition of their services should be offered. [p. 72]

Council held on November 25th, 1915. [p. 78]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Patrick Rose-Innes, K.C.

Charles Grant Church [pp. 69, 90]

Read the report of the Committee appointed to consider a complaint against Mr. Augustus Merriman, a Barrister of Lincoln's Inn, that being asked by a resident of Sierra Leone to procure repayment of a credit of £4 from tailors in London, he dishonestly misappropriated it to his own use. Council ordered that he be disbarred. [p. 84-88]

James Douglas Walker, Esq., K.C., referred to a letter received from Professor Thomas Erskine Holland K.C. addressed to the Steward.

"I am leaving in your office a photogravure of the picture which was presented to me in the Inn on behalf of subscribers in December last.¹ Perhaps you will kindly place it in the portfolio of such things which, as I understand is kept by you. I have told Mr. Douglas Walker what I am doing. It is not worth while to make any formal mention on the subject to the Bench."

¹ The original portrait was painted by Hugh G. Riviere, a well known portrait painter of the time. The presentation was by Lord Haldane in the Council Room on December 12, 1914: see (1915) 31 L.Q.R. 10. It now hangs in the Athenaeum Club, to which it was given by Holland's son in 1960.

It was Ordered that the portrait be accepted. [p. 90, 91]

The following resolution was passed concerning wounded soldiers:

"That until the commencement of Hilary Term 1916 Wounded Soldiers be entertained in Hall on one afternoon in each week and that it be left to the Committee already appointed to make the necessary arrangements." [p. 91]

Members of the Bench were appointed to the Standing Committees as follows (with numbers of members in addition to the Treasurer) [p. 91-93]

Special Committee Students (6)

Finance (16)

Buildings and Chambers (8)

Library (22)

Chapel (12)

Wine (12)

Kitchen (7)

A communication from The Right Honourable Viscount Bryce, President of the British Academy, inviting a Member of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn to be a delegate to serve on the General Committee of the British Academy. The Right Honourable Lord Muir Mackenzie was appointed to represent Lincoln's Inn. [p. 95]

"A request from the Joint Electric Railways Advertising Department for permission to take photographs within the Inn was refused." [p. 96]

"Ordered that the Keeper of the Black Book be requested to write a letter of thanks to the Right Honourable Sir Edward Clarke, K.C., for the copy of the Prayer Book versions corrected of the Book of Psalms prepared by him and presented to the Society." [p. 96]

Ordered "that a small luncheon be provided after the next Warburton Lecture. The two clergy to be invited and the Office bearers who care to attend." [p. 96]

Adjourned Council held on December 14th, 1915. [p. 97]

Nineteen Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Gray's Inn

"At a Pension held November 24th, 1915.

"Upon reading the Petition of Captain Herbert Barrs Davies (7th Manchester Regiment) a Student of this Society wounded in action, asking that he be called to the Bar without passing the Final Examination.

"Ordered that the other Inns be invited to concur in the Consolidated Regulations being amended by adding thereto" a regulation which allows an Inn in appropriate circumstances to call to the Bar a student prevented from taking the examination by virtue of war service.

The communication was referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar. [p. 97, 98]

Read and adopted the following report of the Finance Committee.

"1. That upon consideration of an application from the Assistant in the Library (Mr. Tom Hodgkinson) referred to the Committee by the Council, they have ordered that he be allowed one half of his pay during his service in the Forces of the Crown and that his place be kept for him.

"2. That pursuant to the directions of the Council, James Brock, the Chief Porter to the Society, James Hiley Buckthorpe, one of the Porters (the survivor of the old class of Badge Porters to the Society), Thomas Kelly, one of the Porters to the Society and Hugh Brock a son of the Chief Porter, have each been presented at a Meeting of the Committee with a piece of silver as a recognition of valuable service rendered on the occasion of a Zeppelin raid on October 13th, 1915.

"3. On consideration of a communication from the Belgian Lawyers Aid Committee referred to the Committee it was ordered that a donation of 100 guineas be made to the fund." [p. 98, 99]

Read the following communication dated October 15th, 1915 from E.S.P. Haynes:

"My cousin, Sir Frederick Pollock, informed me that you¹ are the proper person to consult in regard to the following matter.

"On the night of the 13th a Zeppelin bomb demolished three rooms of these premises [5 New Square]. Fortunately it was not an incendiary bomb. I had hitherto imagined that if any fire or explosion occurred in Lincoln's Inn there would be a responsible official who would be able to communicate with the tenants of the buildings, and outside our own main door the names, private addresses, and telephone numbers of my partners and myself are inscribed with a view to such emergencies. The damage in question must have occurred about 9.30 p.m., but no news of this reached any of us at home until the caretaker called about 7 o'clock. It therefore appears that if it had been an incendiary bomb the whole of the premises would have been burnt to the ground as very nearly happened in 1881, when the fire brigades from outside were not allowed to extinguish the flames. As this situation appears to be full of danger for my firm as well as for our more fortunate neighbours I venture to call your attention to the fact and to express the hope that a more satisfactory state of things may be achieved."

Council referred the above to the Building Committee with a request to look into the relevant Act of Parliament and draft a reply for consideration. [p. 102, 103]

¹ The letter was addressed to John Cutler, K.C. who was indeed a Benchet, but it was probably intended for Edward Cutler, K.C. who was the Treasurer in 1915, whereas John Cutler was not an office holder or a member of any standing committee. They were apparently unrelated.

Read the following request from the London Electric Railway Company.

"We are in receipt of your letter of the 29 ult, and very much regret to note that you have not found it possible to afford us facilities to take photographs of the interior of the Hall.

"We are sorry that this course should have been found necessary, more particularly as we have received permission from all the other Inns of Court to take photographs, and without illustrations of your Hall, we think you will agree with us that a booklet dealing with the Inns of Court will be very incomplete. Perhaps in view of this you will be good enough to reconsider your decision."

Council continued to refuse permission. [p. 103, 104]

Treasurer: Edward Cutler, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 17 Lord Justice Kennedy
2. July 29 William Latham, K.C.
3. September 30 Sir George Farwell
4. December 15 Lord Alverstone, G.C.M.G.
5. December 23 Samuel Hill Smith Lofthouse, K.C.

Biographical note

5. Lofthouse. b.1843. Recorder of Doncaster from 1902

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. F.H.L. Errington
2. Patrick Rose-Innes, K.C.
3. Charles Grant Church
4. E.P. Hewitt, K.C.
5. Hon. W.H. Cozens-Hardy, K.C.

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Council held on January 11th, 1916. [p. 108]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Frederick William Beaton was appointed to make the Tancred oration. [p. 109; text, in Latin, on p. 116]

Ordered that a Memorial Service for the late Rt. Hon. Sir Joshua Strange Williams, a Member of this Inn, late Judge of the Supreme Court of New Zealand, be held in the Chapel on Tuesday, January 18th at 6.30. [p. 109]

Council held on January 31st, 1916. [p. 118]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench [*pp.* 109, 134]

Edgar Percy Hewitt, K.C.

The Hon. William Hepburn Cozens-Hardy, K.C.

"Read a communication from H.W. Marigold, Esq., enclosing a letter written by him to the President of the Law Society and a memorandum containing suggestions re: Land Transfer and War Relief Work." The letter to the President follows.

"I think you may like to see the scheme of Land Transfer and War Relief Work which Mr. J.E. Hogg and I have put forward some time back, and I enclose you a copy. The scheme is also submitted as the best permanent scheme quite apart from War Relief Work.

"The defect in it is obviously the requirement of the double certificate by counsel and solicitor. When the War is over great problems will arise in regard to the standardisation of law and lawyers throughout the Empire and I respectfully suggest that it is not out of place to consider the problems which will arise in advance, and to take a long view of them. The question of Land Transfer is one of these problems.

"The hybrid lawyer will require and must have a footing in this country. Sir Edward Clarke's proposal for fusion has never taken root here, but I submit to you for consideration that a practical solution would be to allow a hybrid lawyer midway between the Bar and the Solicitors, who might, it is suggested, come from either profession and be licensed (like the old conveyancers) by the Inns of Court under the title of Counsellor at Law, and who would have the monopoly of giving certificates of title.

"I feel sure however that any proposals of this kind must come from the solicitors branch of the profession. I am sending a copy of this letter to the Steward of Lincoln's Inn to be laid before the Masters of the Bench, and to the Registrar at the Land Registry."

The accompanying memorandum headed "Re: Land Transfer and War Relief Work" contains "suggestions for working compromise between systems of private conveyancing and registration of title and for War Relief Work." The first suggestion is for "A Bill to simplify and amend existing systems of registration of title as follows:

"a. Land to be brought on register by State payment of fees to conveyancing counsel, solicitors and surveyors for certificates of first registration and plans. This will provide War Work."¹ [*pp.* 126-129]

¹ A number of the other suggestions later found a place in some form in the 1925 property legislation, but not this one.

Ordered that the thanks of the Masters of the Bench be conveyed to A.B. Nutter, Esq., a Member of this Honourable Society¹ for his services in connection with the entertainments recently given to the wounded soldiers in Lincoln's Inn Hall, which have contributed so largely to the success of the entertainment. [pp. 135, 136]

Read the following letter from the Right Hon. Lord Stamfordham addressed to Lord Wrenbury and dated January 12th, 1916.

"I have laid before the King your letter of to-day's date, and His Majesty quite understands the reason why he was not informed of the Memorial Service for the late Lord Alverstone.

"The King thanks you very much for your kind suggestion that he should be made acquainted from time to time with the proceedings of the Inn, but His Majesty wishes me to say that he will not put you to the trouble of doing this." [p. 136]

Adjourned Council held on February 24th, 1916. [p. 137]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Theobald Mathew [p. 142]

Read the Report of the Building Committee relative to the letter from Mr. Haynes of No. 9 [sic: a manifest slip for 5] New Square referred to the Committee by the Council. Ordered that a letter be sent as drafted. [p. 142]

Upon reading a communication from Col. Errington, Commanding the Inns of Court O.T.C. enclosing a record of the Corps to the end of January 1916, viz:—

Commissioned		4507
Strength		3957
Casualties		
Killed	98	
Killed accidentally	1	
Died of wounds	26	
Wounded	177	
Missing	6	
Prisoner	1	
Executed by enemy	1	
Died whilst serving	6	316
Honours		
C.B.	1	
Military Cross	28	
D.S.O.	3	
Mentioned in despatches	50	82

the following resolution was passed.

¹ Alfred Barrett Nutter, born c. 1870, admitted 1893, called 1896.

That the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn have read with much appreciation the remarkable record which has been presented to them of the work of the Inns of Court Officers Training Corps and desire to congratulate their Fellow Bencher, Col. Errington and his Fellow Officers on the striking success of their efforts and on the invaluable services which they have rendered to the Army and the State. [*pp.* 142, 143]

Read a communication from the Mayor of Holborn inviting the Masters of the Bench to nominate a representative to serve on the proposed Holborn Local Tribunal.

Ordered that a letter be sent enquiring as to the following:

as to the frequency and hour of sitting and whether it would meet the views of the Council to appoint 3 Benchers of whom one or more would from time to time attend. [*p.* 143]

Adjourned Council held on April 4th, 1916. [*p.* 145]

Thirty Benchers present.

Read and adopted the Report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar dated February 8th, 1916. The Joint Committee resolved to amend the Consolidated Regulations by adding Clause 38A substantially as proposed by Gray's Inn.¹

"38A. Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 38, and without prejudice to and in addition to the other powers of dispensation conferred by these Regulations, the Masters of the Bench of any Inn may call to the Bar without his having obtained from the Council of Legal Education a Certificate of having passed the Examination for Call to the Bar any Student of their Inn who has such qualifications that he would in their opinion have obtained such Certificate but for his being or having been engaged as a Member of the Forces of the Crown during the present War or otherwise engaged in connection with the War, in circumstances which have prevented him from passing such Examination."

It also amended the regulation which allowed the granting of exemption in subjects studied in Universities in British Dominions by removing the restriction to British Dominions. [*p.* 661-667]

Ordered payment to the Bar Library Committee of £181.5s.0d. upon the basis of Members in the Law List 1915, viz. L.I. 2758: I.T. 4616: M.T. 3550: G.I. 1077. [*p.* 154]

Read the Report of the Council of Legal Education dated March 8th, 1916. The opening paragraph is as follows.

"The work of the Council continues during the War precisely as in times of peace, except that the number of Students is appreciably smaller. During the year 1915 the work was attended by special difficulties. The Clerk of

¹ *Ante*, p. 87.

the Council, Mr. F. Dapp, was taken ill in July, and died on October 1st, to the great regret of the Council, after having been employed for thirty-six years in their service, and from 1894 as their Clerk. The Assistant Clerk has been on military service since March. Thus the Council had during the last half of the year only the junior clerk (Mr. Kirk) available of their former staff, and members of the Council had to give considerable time to supervision of the administrative work. The Council, being of opinion that their chief official should be a Barrister, have appointed Mr. J.F. Waley, Barrister, of Lincoln's Inn, [called January 1892] to be their Secretary." [p. 156]

The Report also states that 66 candidates sat the final examination, of whom 45 passed. Mr. S. Lincoln, Lincoln's Inn, would have been recommended for the Criminal Law and Procedure Prize had he not been disqualified by age. The prize was not awarded.

Read letters of thanks from Lt. Col. Errington and A.B. Nutter, Esq. [p. 158]

Council held on May 2nd, 1916. [p. 159]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Frederic Harrison Smitton [called November 1902] ordered to be disbarred at his own request with a view to becoming a solicitor. [p. 161]

Council held on May 29th, 1916. [p. 164]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Henry Arthur Colefax, K.C. [pp. 160, 168]

The Master of the Rolls called attention to Regulation 38A added to the consolidated Regulations contained on the Report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar dated February 8th, 1916. [p. 167]

Read the following communication from the Secretary of the General Council of the Bar, addressed to the Steward and dated May 23rd, 1916.

"Re Aliens of Enemy Nationality practising at the Bar in England"

"I am directed by the General Council of the Bar to transmit to you the following resolutions which were adopted by the Council at their meeting of yesterday, and to ask you to be so good as to submit them to the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn.

(1) that it may be undesirable that an Alien should be permitted to practise at the Bar when his country is at War with ours, and that regulations of the four Inns of Court should be framed to give power to the Bench of his Inn to suspend such Alien from practice if it should be thought expedient so to do during the continuance of hostilities; and

(2) that the Secretary be requested to bring this resolution to the notice of the four Inns of Court with a view to a reference of the matter to the Joint Committee."

"Ordered that Resolution (1) be referred to the Joint Committee for consideration and report." [pp. 167, 168]

Read the report of the Special Committee appointed to consider a complaint against Mr. Arthur James Hughes, a Barrister of Lincoln's Inn.

Ordered that Mr. Hughes be disbarred following his conviction at the Central Criminal Court on October 22nd, 1915, of conspiracy to defraud and obtaining money by false pretences for which he was sentenced to six months imprisonment in the second division. [pp. 89, 169-172]

Read the following communication from the French Embassy dated May 18th, 1916.

A French barrister, M.A. Mater, actually legal adviser to the French Delegation in the "Commission Internationale de Ravitaillement" (India House, Kingsway), has been officially instructed by the French Minister for Education to report the relations between French and English Law. The Minister for Education controls in France the teaching of the law.

"The aim of M. Mater is to make his report in such a form that it could be transformed into a kind of textbook, profitable guide of English law for the use of the French. Such a book should certainly be very useful.

"We have communicated with the Foreign Office and asked them to recommend M. Mater to you and to the Home Office. I take the liberty of recommending my friend to you without waiting for the official transmission of our request. M. Mater desires to be admitted in the libraries of the Inns of Court and I hope you may kindly consider his request."

Ordered that leave be given to use the Library. [pp. 172, 173]

"P. Ogden Lawrence, Esq., K.C.

(a) to call attention to a memorandum by Sir Henry Poland, K.C. received by the General Council of the Bar concerning the statue of Lord Erskine now in the Library of this Inn in which memorandum Sir Henry Poland K.C. suggests that it would be a gracious act on the part of the Benchers if they would consent to the removal of the statue to the Royal Courts, and

(b) to move that the matter be referred to the appropriate committee for enquiry and report or otherwise dealt with.

Upon which No Order was made." [p. 173]

Read the following communication from Canon Edward A. Steward, the Executor of the late Lady Stuart, dated May 26th, 1916.

"The late Lady Stuart, widow of the late Sir Robert Stuart, Chief Justice of the High Court at Allahabad, has left a request by Will that the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn be asked to accept Sir Robert's likeness in Ivory. It is about

1ft.3 by 1ft.6. Could you kindly tell me if they will be willing and to whom I should send it."

"Ordered that same be gratefully received." [p. 174]

"Resolved that the Pennsylvania Railway 4% Consolidated Mortgage Bonds 1948 be sold to the Government and the proceeds invested in 5 years Exchequer Bonds and the Bonds registered." [p. 174]

Council held on June 20th, 1916. [p. 175]

Twenty Benchers present.

Read and adopted the Report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar dated June 6th, 1916. The Committee resolved that it was not desirable to alter Consolidated Regulation No. 41 so as to give effect to the suggestion made by the General Council of the Bar.¹ [pp. 177-180]

Read the Steward's report of the death of Thomas Rawle, Esq., late Solicitor to the Honourable Society. [p. 180]

"A communication from the Belgian Lawyers' Aid Committee was referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 180]

An application from M.H. Rana, Esq., a Student of the Honourable Society to be called to the Bar this Term with the advantage set out in clause 38A of the Consolidated Regulations was referred to the Special Students Committee who are to report to the Council for Calls all necessary preliminary steps may be taken provisionally." [p. 180]

Ordered that Mr. Justice Younger be a member of the Special Committee for the Rana Case." [p. 180]

Council held on July 10th, 1916. [p. 197]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Government Educational Adviser to Indian Students, dated June 8th, 1916.

"I beg to enquire in reference to Mr. Abdul Hamid whether it will now be impossible for him to be called to the Bar as a result of his recent trial in which he was condemned to two months imprisonment on a charge of bigamy and making a false statement on a marriage certificate. As he has already spent so many years in this country without passing his examinations, his father is anxious that Abdul Hamid should join him in his business as a publisher and he wishes to know whether this period of imprisonment constitutes an impediment to his son's taking up the career of a barrister."

"Ordered that the Steward be instructed to write and say that it does constitute impediment." [p. 198]

¹ Ante, pp. 93, 94.

Read the fifth Report of the Committee appointed to carry into effect the scheme encouraging Reading in Chambers for the period Trinity Term 1915 to Easter Term 1916. Owing to the War only one applicant had come forward who was turned down. The report was adopted, Council ordering that the Committee report to the Bench before next Council meeting as to the advisability of suspending grants either temporarily or otherwise. [*pp.* 199, 200]

Upon reading the report of the Finance Committee relative to the application of the Belgian Lawyers Aid Committee which recommended 25 guineas be given but left the matter to come before the Council, Ordered that 50 guineas be given. [*p.* 200]

Read the following application dated July 7th, 1916, from the First and Second Clerks [Mr. J.A. Clarke and Mr. F.W. Corn] in the Steward's Office and referred it to the Finance Committee with power to act.

"We the undersigned 1st and 2nd Clerks in the Steward's Office respectfully take this opportunity of acquainting your Worships that during the past twelve months we have again performed the duties of the Third Clerk who is still absent on Military duty, and beg to ask that our services may be rewarded as you may be pleased to direct." [*p.* 201]

"An application from the Revd. J.L. Evans for the use of the Gardens on Saturday afternoon the 15th July for his Infant Sunday School Treat as heretofore was Granted." [*p.* 201]

Read the following communication from Messrs Kelseys, solicitors, dated June 22nd, 1916.

"Our client Mrs. Ashton Case of Beckford Hall, Tewkesbury, the residuary legatee under the Will of the late Sir Andrew Richard Scoble, P.C., K.C., K.C.S.I., late of 'Chivelston' Wimbledon S.W. whom we believe was a member of Lincoln's Inn desires us to ask whether the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn would accept the gift of a silver presentation bowl which formed part of the residuary estate."

"Ordered that the same be accepted with thanks." [*p.* 202]

Read the following communication from the Revd. C.B. Knight, Chaplain to the Society dated July 7th, 1916.

"I beg to report that I have been suddenly ordered by the War Office for service in Mesopotamia with the 31st Stationary Hospital now mobilising at Aldershot. I don't know when we sail. I only got my orders late Sunday night.

"Mr. Rogers has consented to continue to act as my Depute, and I hope the Masters of the Bench will approve ..."

"Ordered that the Bench accede to the request if in view of contemplated re-arrangements with regard to the Chapel Mr. Knight is prepared to accept at any time three months notice to determine his engagement provided that such notice do not expire before Lady Day 1917." [*pp.* 202, 203]

Special Council held on July 20th, 1916. [p. 204]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Read the Interim Report of the Economy Committee. Approved the first section of it relating to Kitchen accounts with minor alterations. Further consideration was adjourned until the 26th July. [p. 204]

Read and adopted the following Report of the meeting of the Building Committee, held on the July 14th, 1916.

The Committee upon consideration of the report of the Architect and his proposed plan for rebuilding the back wall of No. 23 Old Buildings, Recommend adoption of the plan and carrying out of work by our own men, except the wood work and such other works as the Architect may think it necessary or more economical to put out. If the Architect is satisfied that the present chimney can be maintained he is to be at liberty to do so and in that case to make such consequential alterations in the lavatories and w.c.'s as he may think fit. Estimated cost: £565.17.6. Centre stack included (£98). [pp. 204, 205]

Special Council held on July 26th, 1916. [p. 206]

Fifteen Benchers present.

The further consideration of the Report of the Economy Committee. Adopted down to and including paragraph 23 with alterations as initialled. Notice to be given accordingly including notice to Mr. Knight.

[The Interim Report of the Economy Committee runs to six printed pages (24 paragraphs) and is reproduced in full as Appendix 1(a). The first part deals with the Kitchen Accounts, the other part with the Chapel. In the latter it was recommended to dispense with the services of the Chaplain, retaining the Preacher, and to phase out the boy Choristers. The former was a detailed examination of the amount paid for supplies and possible wastage. A few paragraphs may be cited here as examples of the Committee's approach.

1. As their first head of enquiry the Committee selected the matter of expenditure and receipt in respect of the Kitchen. This item appears in the accounts of the Inn under the head, "Kitchens and Buttery." For the year ending January 10th, 1916, the amount shown in the accounts is £3,714 14s.3d., but this is arrived at after deducting a sum of £782 12s.4d. received in respect of luncheons. Adding the last mentioned sum, the debit entry becomes £4,497 6s.7d. The total amount received from Bench, Bar and Students for Dinners and Luncheons was £1,468 15s.10d. Upon this account, therefore, the Inn is out of pocket by the sum of £3,028 10s.9d. This is exclusive of Wine. The Inn, in fact, supplies Commons at about one-third of their cost.

2. For examination and analysis the Committee divided the amount expended into two parts, viz.: (1) amount paid to tradesmen in purchase of provisions; (2) all other payments to the moment the meal is put on

the table. The latter includes all costs of cooking and service, such as coals, wages of cooks, butlers, waiters and other servants, and laundry work.

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3. The amount paid to tradesmen for provisions in the year to January 10th, 1916, was £2,422 7s.9d. In order to form an opinion whether this sum was excessive, the Committee attributed to each meal, whether of Bench, Bar, Students or Staff, a sum which, after careful investigation and advice, seemed to be ample to provide the provisions included in the meal. They were careful to allow, if anything, too large a sum, for there is inevitable waste owing to (1) the way in which the meals are at present served under the mess system, and (2) the uncertainty as to the number who will attend. Upon making a calculation on this footing, they concluded that the cost of the provisions in the year ought not to have exceeded £1,758 11s.6d. The excess was, therefore, £663 16s.3d., or more than 27 per cent.

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6. If no waste or leakage is proved to exist, the only alternative explanation of excessive expenditure upon provisions lies in the payment of excessive prices. The only control that at present exists over the prices paid lies with the Kitchen Clerk. He orders the goods, sees them delivered, checks the accounts, and is thus daily in touch with the prices charged. But he has not the authority or position or strength of character to enable him effectually to control prices. At present only one tradesman in each trade is employed—there is no competition. The Committee, on the other hand, do not suggest that unfair prices are charged, yet on the other they conclude that the Inn is paying first-class prices for no doubt first-class goods, but that the prices are in excess of what would probably be chargeable if there were competition and constant scrutiny to keep prices down. The Butcher's Account for 1914 was £746: for the year 1915 £718. The Fish and Poultry Account for 1914 was £541: for the year 1915 £404. Accounts of this magnitude, resulting in absolutely safe debts, ought to be exceptionally dealt with by the tradesmen. All the other accounts are open to the same observation.

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11. **Service of Meals.** Assuming that there is not waste anywhere, the Committee are satisfied that there is and must be waste arising from the service of a separate joint of meat to each Mess. Soup, fish and pudding can without much waste be served separately to each Mess. Meat and vegetables cannot. The Committee do not go so far at present as to recommend the abolition of the Mess system altogether. They do, however, recommend that all joints for the dinners in Hall shall be carved in the Kitchen, and the vegetables handed round the tables irrespective of their subdivision into Messes. The carved meat could, at the Bar and Students' Tables, be served in a covered dish to each Mess, or carried round in one dish to all tables in turn.

One result of this would be that there would be less broken meat left to be consumed by the Staff. It is at present an extravagance to feed the Staff on

the broken remains of first-class meat bought at first-class prices. When it is necessary to purchase meat for the Staff the less expensive joints should be bought. It might be well that for this purpose another butcher (not having an address in or about Piccadilly) charging more moderate prices should be employed.]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1916. [p. 210]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Philip Folliott Scott Stokes [*pp.* 200, 215]

Council received a report from the Inn's solicitor that the appeal of Mr. Merriman against his disbarment had been heard by the Lord Chief Justice and six other judges on July 24th, 1916. The solicitor reported that "Mr. Merriman was heard at length on all points raised in the statement lodged by him, including the suggestion that he ought to have been heard by the full Bench." The appeal was dismissed without calling on counsel for the Inn. [*p.* 212]

Officers for 1917. [*pp.* 215, 225]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Muir Mackenzie, G.C.B.

Master of the Library: Sir William Phipson Beale, Bt., K.C., M.P.

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Neville.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Viscount Haldane.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Henry Herbert Asquith, K.C., M.P.

Read the following application from one of the Workmen of the Society who met with an accident on the premises.

I should be pleased if you would consider an application for a pension. I have now been in the employment of the Society for 35 years. I am 69 years of age and suffer from pains in the head through the accident I had in December last. I have served the Society faithfully all the years I have been in their employment, but as you are aware I have had several accidents during that time mainly due to seeing that my scaffolds were safe and no others should suffer which I have no doubt has helped to bring on my infirmity. Should this not meet with your approval, I am still willing to carry on my present work to the best of my ability. Hoping this will meet with your generous consideration,

I remain your faithful servant

[sgd] Thomas Steel

The application was referred to the Finance Committee [*pp.* 215, 216]

Special Council held on October 18th, 1916. [p. 217]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Upon consideration of the Further Interim Report of the Economy Committee, Ordered that the report be adopted with alterations made by the

Special Council and initialled. [*pp.* 217–220; the Report is printed in full as Appendix 1(b)]

This report deals with the carrying out of repairs to the Inn's property, and the collection of arrears of rent, commons and dues. Tables included in the report disclosed that in 1915 the rent-roll was £16,959; the arrears amounted to £9,800. Unpaid Commons amounted to £1,258.

As to rentals the Committee stated

The arrears of Rents are not in a satisfactory condition. The practice is that the Steward, from time to time, brings to the notice of the Finance Committee such cases of arrear as he thinks ought to be dealt with. The worst that happens is that the case is "referred to the Solicitor." The Solicitor writes a letter to the tenant, and if the case be a bad one (and there are such) the matter stops there.

On unpaid Commons the Committee had this to say.

If payment does not result, proceedings should be taken. There are cases of non-payment for Commons which can only be described as dishonest. There is a case, for instance, of a member who from 1907 to 1914 dined every Grand Day, with two exceptions, and has never paid a penny. In 1915 and 1916, when there was no Grand Day, he has not dined at all.

The committee made a number of detailed recommendations to deal with these and other shortcomings in the administration.

Council held on November 2nd, 1916. [*p.* 221]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Secretary of the General Council of the Bar.

"I am directed to transmit to your Lordship as Treasurer of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn the following Resolution which was adopted *nem. con.* by the General Council of the Bar at their meeting of yesterday—the members of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn who were present not voting

That the attention of the General Council of the Bar having been called to language reported to have been said by Mr. Upjohn K.C. of Mr. Hughes K.C. during the recent case of the Amalgamated Properties of Rhodesia (1913) Limited v. The Globe & Phoenix Gold Mining Co. Ltd. the Council is of opinion that the matter is one proper to be enquired into by his Bench. [*pp.* 222, 223]

The consideration of a communication dated the 24th October received by the Treasurer from Mr. Upjohn K.C. was adjourned to next Council. [*p.* 223]

The Treasurer referred to a communication he had received from the Reconstruction Committee.

Ordered that the following particulars be sent in reply.

"When the war broke out there were 174 Students at Lincoln's Inn eligible to serve in the army. Of these 107 were University men.

76 have joined the army, 42 are members of the Civil Service, school-masters etc. and 8 are unfit. This accounts for 126. I have been unable to get into communication with the remaining 48.

Of these 2 have been killed, 3 wounded, and 3 interned.

There are 38 Students keeping Term mostly Indians.

The following clauses have been added to the Consolidated Regulations of the Four Inns of Court in favour of Students being members of the Forces of the Crown."

[clauses 37A, 38A are set out] [pp. 223, 224]

Ordered that Mr. Roger Gregory be appointed Solicitor to the Society.

Council held on November 24th, 1916. [p. 232]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Rigby Philip Watson Swift, K.C. [pp. 222, 246]

Read the following communication from the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies, dated August 26th, 1916.

"I am directed by Mr. Secretary Bonar Law to transmit to you a copy of a despatch from the Governor of New Zealand asking that application may be made to the authorities of the Inns of Court to permit members of the New Zealand Bar who may hold the patent of King's Counsel dated after the passing of the New Zealand Law Practitioners Amendment Act 1915 and who will be debarred by Section 3 of that Act from practising as solicitors in New Zealand to practise as King's Counsel at the Bar in England upon producing to the satisfaction of the authorities of the Inns of Court that the Applicant holds a patent as one of His Majesty's Counsel and that the local law in New Zealand disentitles him to practise as a solicitor there.

"Mr. Bonar Law will be glad if the representations made by the New Zealand Government may receive the consideration of the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn"

Referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar. [p. 233-235]

Read and adopted a report from the Council of Legal Education dated November 8th, 1916, which in turn contained a report from its Board of Studies dated July 11th, 1916, from which the following extracts are taken.

"3. The present system of instruction and examination has now been in use for 25 years and is worked by six Readers at a salary of £500 per annum each and four Assistant Readers at a salary of £350 per annum each and a Board of Examiners consisting of all the Readers and eight outside Examiners. The fee for an Examiner (Reader or other) is 30 guineas for

each examination. The total cost of such education now amounts to £6,164 annually.

"4. The Board are of opinion that having regard to the very great diminution in the numbers of Students, the expense of maintaining the system upon the above scale would not be justified. They note that the number of the entries at the Inns of Court during the year 1916 was 82 up to date as against 188 in 1915, 347 in 1914 and 418 in 1913, and the entries for each Final Examination which amounted to 170-190 during the pre-war period have during the year 1916 averaged 50. Under the circumstances they proceeded to consider whether any rearrangement of the work could be devised which while effecting a substantial economy would leave the efficiency of the work practically unimpaired.

"5. Thanks to the unselfish co-operation of the Readers and Assistant Readers the Board are able to recommend a Scheme under which the whole of the examining work will be done by the Readers and Assistant Readers without fee. On the other hand each Reader will continue to receive a salary of £500 per annum and each Assistant Reader will be paid a reduced salary of £250 per annum. With regard to the reduction the Board points out the number of examination papers is much less than in normal times and the teaching of the Assistant Readers is reduced by one third under the Scheme. The Board desires to place it on record that the abolition of the use of external examiners and all the other provisions of the Scheme are only proposed as a temporary measure during the period of the War and by way of War economy." [pp. 242, 243]

"Read a communication dated October 24th, 1916, received by the Treasurer from Mr. Upjohn, K.C.

"The following resolution was proposed by Lord Parker and seconded by Mr. Justice Neville and carried unanimously

"That the Council accepting Mr. Upjohn's assurance that there was no foundation for the suggestion that his conduct of the case of the Amalgamated Properties of Rhodesia and the Globe & Phoenix & Co was influenced by personal animosity towards another member of the Bar and approving the Statements made in Court yesterday the 23rd November does not think fit to make any order on the matter Nos. 18 & 19 on the agenda paper except that this resolution together with a copy of the Statement referred to [be] entered in the Black Books of the Society."¹ [p. 250]

Adjourned Council held on December 12th, 1916. [p. 252]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Arthur Underhill [pp. 246, 255]

Read the following communication from Town Clerk of the Borough of Holborn, dated November 15th, 1916.

¹ See *ante*, pp. 55-58.

"There is a vacancy on the Council for a Councillor in the place of Mr. G.E. Tyrrell [called November 1886] who has just resigned on account of pressure of other engagements and before filling it up by co-optation, the Council would be glad to know whether the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn would be disposed to nominate someone for election.

"The nominee must possess the qualification of a parochial elector for some premises in the Borough, but not necessarily in Lincoln's Inn . . ."

"Mr. Charles Grant Church was unanimously appointed." [p. 257]

Read the following communication from F.E. Farrer, Esq. of 14, Old Square.

"I see that the rates for the Borough of Holborn have gone up enormously in this half year. They are now just 10/- in the £1. This is scandalous that local expenditure should go up at this time.

"I have written a protest to the Borough and am going to call the attention of the Treasury to this matter.

"Will not the Inn do something to convene a meeting of rate payers of the Borough of Holborn or at all events the Inn itself to insist on economy by the Borough Council.

"All works on new things ought to be stopped at once.

"I am not a rate payer direct but I pay my contribution of share of the rates to Mr. E.P. Hewitt K.C."

"Ordered that the Steward communicates a copy of Mr. Farrer's letter to Mr. Church and to inform Mr. Farrer that his letter has been referred to a Member of the Council to deal with." [p. 258]

Read the Third and Final Report of the Economy Committee, dated December 2nd, 1916. It dealt with domestic expenses, the expenses of the Library, wine and of the Steward's Office, and called attention to the possibility of converting unused upper floors into residential chambers. Council ordered that the report be adopted with a minor variation. [pp. 259-264; for the full report, see Appendix 1(c)]

"Read an application from Mrs. John Talbot for the use of the Hall for a Mystery Play in February 1917 for Charity. Ordered that the Steward convey a courteous negative." [p. 264]

Treasurer: Lord Wrenbury

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 17 Rt. Hon. Sir Andrew Richard Scoble, K.C.S.I., K.C.
2. April 24 Sir Kenelm Digby, G.C.B., K.C.
3. June 27 Sir James Stirling
4. October 3 Ernest Laurence Levett, K.C.

- 5. November 18 Arthur Raymond Kirby
- 6. December 8 Sir Roland Vaughan Williams
- 7. December 22 Edward Cutler, K.C.

Biographical notes

- 5. Kirby. b.1842. Company and commercial draftsman.
- 7. Cutler. b.1831. Copyright specialist. Organist, songwriter, skater.

Newly elected in place of those dying

- 1. Theobald Mathew
- 2. Arthur Colefax, K.C.
- 3. Philip Ffolliott Scott Stokes
- 4. Rigby Swift, K.C.
- 5. Arthur Underhill
- 6. Frederick Whinney
- 7. Ward Coldridge

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Council held on January 11th, 1917. [p. 265]

Eighteen Benchers present.

"No appointment of a Tancred Student to deliver a Latin Oration in Hall this Term." [p. 265]

Read the following communication from the Treasurer of Gray's Inn, dated December 22nd, 1916.

"My Bench would like you and your brother Benchers to know that at our Pension held on Tuesday last it was resolved that for the duration of the War all dinners in the Hall at night should be abolished and that Students keeping term should dine at 1.15 p.m. instead of at 7 p.m. as heretofore."

[sgd. Frederick Smith] [p. 266]

"Read a communication from the Town Clerk of the Borough of Holborn relative to the Lincoln's Inn Rates. Ordered that the matter be referred to a Committee consisting of [four Benchers] to consider and report as to action if any." [p. 267]

Read the following Report of the Kitchen Committee, dated December 1916.

"The Kitchen Committee have to report that pursuant to the Order of the Council made the 20th day of July 1916 on the Economy Report, they have considered the weekly summaries made out in the form approved by the Committee as provided by clause 6 of the Report. They are satisfied that substantial economies have been made notwithstanding the continued increase in the price of provisions. The saving has mainly been effected in the Butchers Account and this is largely due to the carving of the joints in the kitchen." [p. 267]

Read and adopted the Report of the Building Committee on Night Watching. This in turn recommended acceptance of a scheme prepared by the Steward for a new system of night watching in the Inn. The scheme is long and detailed and was designed to secure adequate protection of the Inn during the night, and to achieve a saving of the amounts paid to porters of £250 per annum. [*pp.* 268-271]

Read the report of the Building Committee as to the conversion of the unlet 2nd and 3rd floors of chambers into residential units. The Building Committee had received proposals for a scheme of conversion from the Steward. In his proposals the Steward had given an account of the lettings of the buildings in the Inn in July 1916

- "1. The gross rental of the property of the Society is £19,943.
2. It holds about 230 sets of chambers in the Inn and New Square.
3. Shortly after the commencement of the War there were unlet chambers of the rental value of £2565 per annum. There are now vacant chambers of the rental value of £4106 per annum, i.e.

5 basement sets
 5 ground floor sets
 9 first floor sets
 22 second floor sets
10 third floor sets
51 sets in all

4. Except upon a special application considered by the Building Committee, chambers on the ground or first floor have not been let to anyone but a Member of the Inn.
5. There has been for some time a lessening demand for second and third floor sets for use as Barristers Chambers.
6. At present there are about 30 sets of Residential Chambers in the Inn of which 7 are unlet, 6 having been given up since the commencement of the War. They are all on the 3rd floor."

"The Committee report that there are a considerable number of chambers which could conveniently be turned into residential chambers at an expense which with the expense of decorations etc. may be expected not to exceed a year's rent and that with a view to ascertaining whether there is likely to be a demand for such chambers recommend that the Steward be authorised to convert two sets—3 Stone Buildings 2nd Floor S. and No. 11 2nd Floor S. as specified in his [the Steward's] report. And that the Steward be authorised to advertise and take such other steps as he may think fit to obtain tenants, but that no further chambers be altered without further directions."

Council adopted the Report of the Building Committee, the Finance Committee to consider the details of expenditure. [*pp.* 272-274]

Council held on January 31st, 1917. [p. 280]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Frederick Whinney [pp. 267, 283]

William Llewellyn Williams, K.C., M.P. [pp. 267, 283]

Ward Coldridge, K.C. [pp. 268, 288]

"Ordered that the $4\frac{1}{2}\%$ War Loan Stock held by the Society be converted into the 5% War Loan through the Bank. Ordered that it be referred to the Finance Committee to consider whether any and what further loan to the Government should be made." [p. 280]

Read the Report of the Council of Legal Education that on January 11th, 1917, it was resolved as follows

"1. That in the case of any Student who returns after serving as a member of the Forces of the Crown during the present War or otherwise in connection with the War, who satisfies the Examiners in Part II of the Examination for Call to the Bar, a certificate be granted to him of his having so satisfied the Examiners, although he may not have passed in all or any sections of Part I.

"2. That in the opinion of the Council, the power of the Benchers of any Inn to dispense with the Examination for Call to the Bar, in the case of any Student of their Inn who has the prescribed qualifications, extends to dispensing with every part of the Examination and to dispensing with part only while requiring other part or parts of it to be passed." [p. 282]

Read and adopted the Report dated December 12th, 1916, of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar relative to the request that King's Counsel of New Zealand be allowed to practise at the Bar in England. The Joint Committee resolved as follows

"That the request referred to in the letter of the Secretary of State for the Colonies dated the 26th August 1916 that King's Counsel of the New Zealand Bar may be permitted to practise as such at the Bar of England is one which the Inns have no power to grant. Also that in the opinion of the Committee Consolidated Regulation No. 43 should be extended and amended so as to apply to members of the New Zealand Bar who may hold the patent of King's Counsel after the passing of the New Zealand Law Practitioners Amendment Act 1915 and who are by law for the time being debarred from practising as solicitors in New Zealand, and that letters should be sent by each of the Four Inns to the Secretary of State for the Colonies intimating that the Four Inns are willing to extend and amend Regulation No. 43 in this sense, if requested to do so by the New Zealand Government." [pp. 283, 677]

"The consideration of the heating apparatus in the Chapel was referred to the Chapel Committee. The services suspended meanwhile." [p. 288]

Special Council held on February 6th, 1917. [p. 289]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Upon reading the following report of the Finance Committee held on February 2nd, 1917.

Upon consideration of the question of the War Loan the Committee have to report that one of the partners of Childs Bank attended and expressed their willingness to advance sufficient money at 5% to enable the Society to take up £100,000 of the new War Loan including the conversion of their holding in the previous War Loan and Exchequer Bonds. He further undertook to assure the Society in writing that the amount due to the Bank, while nominally on call after six months, would not be demanded except at the Society's convenience. The Committee agreed to recommend to the Council that the matter should proceed on those terms.

and reading a letter dated February 2nd, 1917, from Messrs. Child & Co. in which it was stated that

"the present holding of the Hon. Society will represent about £72,463 13s. 4d. stock after conversion: the balance of Stock required to be taken up, therefore, is £27,536 6s. 8d....

"We shall be happy to make the necessary advance at the rate of 5% per annum, the loan to be repaid on demand after say six or twelve months, but it is understood that if it is not convenient for the Hon. Society to repay the advance, we shall be most happy to very favourably consider any request for a continuation of the advance on the same terms."

"It was Ordered that the report be adopted and that Messrs. Child and Co. be requested to advance the sum of £26,172 18s. necessary for the purchase of £27,550 War Loan 5% Stock upon the terms of their letter to the Treasurer dated the 2nd February 1917 and to carry the operation into effect for the Society." [pp. 289-291]

Adjourned Council held on February 20th, 1917 [p. 292]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Ordered payment to the Bar Library Committee of £160 8s. upon the basis of Members in the Law List 1916, viz. L.I. 2632: I.T. 4418: M.T. 3452: G.I. 1100. [pp. 293, 294]

Read and approved the following report to the Finance Committee.

"The Finance Committee have to report that upon consideration of the claim of Thomas Steel a workman of the Society who met with an accident in December 1915 in the course of his employment, referred to them by the Council. They have agreed that the said Thomas Steel be paid the sum of 17/6 per week for life, and they have accepted the sum of £75 from the Insurance Company (in addition to the repayment of the sums already paid by the Society to Thomas Steel since his accident) in settlement of the Society's claim under their policy." [p. 294]

Read and approved the following reports of the Chapel Committee

"The Chapel Committee have to report that owing to the burning out of the boiler tubes of the heating apparatus in the Chapel the Services in the Chapel are necessarily suspended. They have made arrangements that gas radiators be fixed and it is hoped that the Services may be recommenced on the 28th March next."

"The Chapel Committee have to report that with a view to carrying out the recommendation of the Economy Committee adopted at the Council . . . they have made the following arrangements as to the Services in the Chapel to be held during term and on Special occasions.

"The Rev. Canon Gamble has expressed his approval of the proposals set out in the report and has offered to fill the conjoint offices of Preacher and Chaplain with a stipend of two hundred guineas as from the 25th March next. The Chaplain will vacate office on that day.

"The Committee recommend that the salary of the Organist be £100 a year subject to six months notice and that Mr. Steggall be re-appointed accordingly as the arrangement will meet his wishes.

"The salaries of the men singers in the Choir to be on the Decani side 25/- a service and on the Cantoris side 21/- a service; with one exception all the existing men are willing to continue in the Choir.

"The Choir boys will continue as before as to schooling and payments but no new boys will be taken on and as the present boys fall out the Choir will be supplemented according to requirement by hiring boys from time to time for the services."

Council Ordered all things necessary to be carried out. A vote of thanks to Canon Gamble unanimously passed for his kind assistance in carrying out the wishes of the Society. [*pp.* 294, 295]

Ordered on the motion of the Hon. Mr. Justice Sargant that for the future the hour for the dinner in Hall shall be 7 o'clock.¹ [*p.* 295]

The resignation of the Night Watch Master was referred to the Finance Committee. [*p.* 296]

Adjourned Council held on March 20th, 1917. [*p.* 297]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read in the Annual statement for 1917 of the General Council of the Bar, the report of a special committee appointed by the General Council to investigate the history and ownership of the statue of Lord Erskine, L.C. Its members were Sir Reginald Acland, K.C., W.J. Disturnal, K.C., Owen Thompson, Rayner Goddard, and Frank Newbolt. They reported as follows.

¹ It had been 6 o'clock since 1881: 5BB.lxxviii.

"Your Committee having considered the Memorandum of Sir Harry Poland, K.C. relating to the statue of Lord Erskine, L.C., and certain notes from "The Times", "Pall Mall" and "Law Journal" in reference thereto and furnished by him, and having also considered other available material relating to the matter (including extracts from the records of Lincoln's Inn and a letter dated 16th October 1916 from Professor Holland to the Chairman of the Council) beg to report as follows

1. that in the opinion of your Committee it is not competent for the Council to try and determine any question relating to the property in or right to the possession of the statue which is now in the Library of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn.
2. that the statue is a good specimen of the work of Sir Richard Westmacott and of considerable artistic merit and being a noble representation of one of the greatest advocates and orators of the English Bar is of interest as well to the Public as to the whole Profession, and that the Council should therefore welcome any determination of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn to consent to the removal of the statue to the Hall of the Royal Courts of Justice."

That report was signed by four members of the Special Committee. Mr. Frank Newbolt added a note of partial dissent

"I concur in paragraph 2, but I think that the Committee should have reported to the Council for their information that there is no evidence obtainable that the original Committee representing the Public ever parted with the property in the statue or consented to its present position, and that in the opinion of Sir W. Goscombe John, R.A. who visited the Library in order to advise the Committee, the present site is not a suitable one." [pp. 298, 299]

Read the Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the question of the Lincoln's Inn Rates. The report is long and detailed and most if not all of its learning is obsolete. The concluding paragraphs are as follows

"The present time at all events, with its many preoccupations, is not a favourable one for opening negotiations with the Borough Council on the subject of the modification of the Inn's Scheme.¹

"The Committee accordingly recommends that no action be taken in the matter during the continuance of the War."

Council adopted the Report. [pp. 299-305]

Read the following communication dated February 23rd, 1917, from The Rev. Canon Gamble.

¹ The Borough of Holborn (Lincoln's Inn) Scheme 1901, made under the London Government Act 1899 (62 & 63 Vict. cap. 14). A short extract is at 5BB.371, 372. A print is in the archives of the Inn: F2d47.

"I now write formally to accept the offer which the Benchers are so good as to make me—with many thanks for their kindness.

"You did not mention one thing viz. if I might occasionally appoint a substitute on one Sunday when there are 4 Sundays in the Term. But perhaps you will tell me later if it would be possible.

"With regard to the Choir: I would suggest

(1) that the "benedictus" might be sung to a plain chant

(2) that we should occasionally have a short anthem instead of a long one. There are some beautiful short ones, which we never have.

(3) that the Choir should take up response briskly instead of making a long pause." [pp. 305, 306]

Read the following communication from Mr. Owen Thompson, the Master of the Chancery Bar Lodge.

"The Government having recently taken over the Hotel Cecil for War purposes, the Chancery Bar Lodge of Freemasons is desirous to seek another place of meeting.

"In accordance with an earnest desire expressed by many of its members I venture to ask leave for the Lodge, during the pleasure of the Benchers, to have the use of the Hall and some of the adjoining rooms for its meetings and for the subsequent dinners on such dates as you may approve and subject to such arrangements as to the employment of the servants of the Inn as you may sanction.

"The Lodge holds three regular meetings every year. The average attendance in normal times is about 30 or perhaps more; at the present time the attendance is rather smaller.

"It will be remembered that in 1893 the Lodge was constituted in the Library of Lincoln's Inn by the late King Edward, then Prince of Wales and Grand Master, who afterwards dined with the Members in the hall and became an Honorary Member.

"Again in July 1909, by permission of the Benchers, the Lodge entertained the Duke of Connaught, the Grand Master at a dinner given in the Hall.

"The qualification for Membership of the Lodge is that every member must be, or have been, a practising member of the Chancery Bar. Amongst its Past Masters are Lords Justices Eady and Warrington, and amongst its members are Mr. Justice Younger (now Senior Warden of the Lodge) and thirteen other Benchers of this Inn as well as the Home Secretary¹ and other Benchers of other Inns.

"The Tyler, who attends the Lodge when it meets, is Serg. Major Brock, the Chief Porter of the Inn.

¹ Rt. Hon. Sir George Cave, K.C., M.P., later Viscount Cave, L.C.

"May I venture to hope that this request may receive the sympathetic and favourable consideration of the Benchers."

The request was granted. [pp. 306, 307]

"The application from Mr. H.H. Thorpe for the use of the Old Hall on Wednesday and Friday evenings for 5 to 8 weeks for purposes connected with the Hospital Column and Ambulance Column of the British Red Cross Society was granted." [p. 307]

Council held on April 17th, 1917. [p. 312]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Read and adopted the following report of the meeting of the Finance Committee held on April 3rd, 1917

Upon consideration of the appointment of a Night Watchman, the Committee recommend that G.E. Illsey be appointed at a wage of 30/- per week. [p. 313]

The use of the Hall was granted to the Treasurer on July 17th for a General Meeting of the Wykehamists as to a War Memorial for Winchester College. [p. 313]

Read the following communication from the Clerks in the Steward's office, dated April 17th, 1917.

"The undersigned clerks in the Stewards office most respectfully beg to submit the following for your consideration in the hope that it may merit your Worships favourable support and assent.

"The alteration in the Dinner Hour from 6 to 7 o'clock will prevent our returning home till about half past nine o'clock as we both reside some distance from town (Palmers Green and Ewell) thus preventing our deriving any advantage from the summer daylight arrangements.¹ The train services being less frequent in the later part of the evening might cause further delays in reaching home. For seven weeks during the early summer and six weeks in winter it will necessitate our returning home very late.

"There being so few members now dining in Hall we venture to ask that we may be relieved from attendance in Hall during dinners on Saturdays and Sundays and that the Bar Butler and Usher of the Hall may be deputed to check the names of the diners, who, under present arrangements have to notify their intention of dining before 2 o'clock each day in the Stewards Office—and at times do not total a dozen.

"At the same time we take this opportunity of asking that the hour for opening the Stewards Office during the Long Vacation may be 11 o'clock instead of 10 o'clock as heretofore that being the usual business hour at the Law Courts and Inns during the Holidays.

¹ Summer time had been introduced in 1916 by the Summer Time Act of that year.

"Trusting your Worships will excuse the liberty we are taking in making these suggestions we beg to draw your attention to the fact that since the commencement of the war and the absence of the Third Clerk we have had no opportunity of taking any mid-day relief as hitherto.

With most respectful apologies
 We have the honour to remain
 Your Worships most obedient servants
 (signed) J.A. Clark 1st clerk
 F.W. Corn 2nd clerk

"Ordered that in future arrangements be made for one Clerk only to attend Hall throughout the dining Terms and that the Stewards Office be opened at 11 o'clock instead of 10 o'clock during the vacations." [pp. 318-319]

Council held on May 14th, 1917. [p. 322]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Read the Steward's report of the death of Thomas Steel, lately a workman and a pensioner of this Honourable Society." [p. 324]

Read the following letter from the Food Controller, dated April 19th, 1917.

"I am requested by the Food Controller to ask if you and the Benchers of your Inn could see your way to bring meals served in your Dining Hall into conformity with his recent order relating to hotels, restaurants, and clubs, of which I enclose a copy herewith. It should be borne in mind that economy in bread and other articles of food made of flour such as cakes, pastry, Yorkshire pudding and sauces is of infinitely greater importance than that of any other food commodities. Restriction in the consumption of meat, which is of comparative unimportance, may prove to be positively disastrous if it puts an undue drain upon the limited supply of bread stuffs.

"As potatoes are the nearest starch equivalent to cereal grain and as there is an almost unprecedented scarcity of this commodity, it is hoped that it may be possible for members of your Inn to abstain entirely from their consumption until the new crop becomes available." [pp. 324, 325]

"Read a communication from W. Melmoth Walters, Esq., relative to the Arms in the Chapel window which was destroyed by the Air Raid." [p. 325]

"The application from the Selborne Society for permission for a party to visit the Chapel, Hall and Library on the 28th July 1917 was granted." [p. 325]

"Read a letter from the Chairman of the Indian Gymkhana Club for support. Ordered that £2.2/- be sent." [p. 325]

"The application of the Carmarthenshire Antiquarian Society and Field Club for a copy of the Records of the Society was declined." [p. 325]

"Ordered that a Vote of thanks be sent to the family of the late the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Kennedy for the portrait of the late Judge presented by them to the Society." [p. 325]

"Ordered that the Order, relative to reading in chambers of 10th July 1916 be continued till Easter Term 1918.¹" [p. 326]

Council held on June 5th, 1917. [p. 326]

Nineteen Benchers present.

Read the following Report of the Kitchen Committee.

"The Kitchen Committee have to report that pursuant to an Order of Council made the 20th July 1916² on the Economy Report they have considered the weekly summaries made out in the form approved by the Committee as provided by Clause 6 of the Report. They are satisfied that proper economy has been observed.

"The Public Meals Order dated 4th April and the Cake and Pastry Order dated 18th April 1917 have been conformed to as far as possible and a register has been kept in the form and according to the instructions provided. The result has been progressively satisfactory and shows a reasonable compliance with the conditions laid down by the Food Controller. Though the consumption of meat and sugar is slightly in excess of the maximum allowed, the consumption of bread and flour is well below the maximum." [pp. 326, 327]

Special Council held on June 14th, 1917. [p. 331]

Thirteen Benchers present.

Upon consideration of the case of Mr. Abdul Hamid, a Student of this Honourable Society who had been convicted of bigamy and sentenced to six months imprisonment without hard labour.

It was Ordered that the name of Abdul Hamid be removed from the Books of the Society.³ [pp. 331, 332]

Council held on June 25th, 1917. [p. 333]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

James William Greig, Esq., C.B., K.C., M.P. [pp. 324, 342]

Read and adopted the following Report of the meeting of the Building Committee held on June 13th, 1917.

"On the Architect's recommendation the Committee beg to report that they think that W. Clark, the Foreman of Works to the Society should be allowed £10 for extra work done after the Air Raid and on No. 23 Old Buildings." [p. 342]

¹ See *ante*. p. 96, and *post*, p. 123.

² *Ante*, p. 97.

³ His re-instatement was refused by Council on March 23rd, 1920, *post*, p. 148, but was allowed on December 18th, 1933.

"Ordered that the Wine Committee be authorised to spend £60 on cigars and that cigars are not to be offered after lunch on Saturdays." [p. 342]

"The application from the Head Teacher of the Wild Street School, Kingsway, to be allowed the use of the gardens here for the performance by the girls of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' as last year on the 20th and 21st July was granted." [p. 343]

Adjourned Council held on July 25th, 1917. [p. 344]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Upon reading the report of the Special Committee appointed to consider a complaint against Mr. Robin Nehemiah Ebenezer, a Barrister of Lincoln's Inn Ordered:

"It appearing that Mr. Robin Nehemiah Ebenezer has been convicted on charges of fraud and has been proved to be unfit to remain a Member of this Honourable Society, that he be and is here Disbarred and expelled from this Honourable Society ..." [pp. 345-350]

Read the report of the Building Committee that the conversion of Chambers on the 3rd and 2nd floors of Stone Buildings and Old Square into residential flats had progressed satisfactorily, that 13 flats had been let, and that two further flats were in an advanced stage of conversion. [p. 350]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1917. [p. 352]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Frederick Herbert Maugham, K.C. [pp. 350, 351; 355, 356]

Read the following communication from the Under Secretary of State, Colonial Office, dated August 1st, 1917.

"With reference to the letter from this Department of the 7th March, on the subject of the status in England of the King's Counsel of the New Zealand Bar,¹ I am directed by Mr. Secretary Long to inform you that a despatch has now been received from the Governor General of New Zealand conveying the thanks of his Government for the offer that has been made and stating that the Dominion Government readily agrees to the proposal of the Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court.

"I am accordingly to request that the Benchers will be good enough to take steps to have Consolidated Regulation No. 43 amended in the sense indicated in the Resolution of the Joint Committee."

Ordered that the Consolidated Regulations Clause 43 be amended in the sense indicated by the Resolution of the Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court. [p. 353]

¹ See *ante*, p. 30.

"Read a communication from the Council of Legal Education of a Resolution that from and after 5th June there shall be no Term Examination during the War or until further order" [p. 355]

"Read a communication from the Council of Legal Education as to the supervision and discipline of students. It was Ordered upon the Motion of the Treasurer that the Council of Legal Education be supplied each term with information which they desire as to new students." [p. 355]

Officers for 1918. [pp. 356, 359]

Treasurer: Sir William Phipson Beale, Bt., K.C., M.P.

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Neville.

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Viscount Haldane.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Herbert Henry Asquith, K.C., M.P.

Master of the Walks: Sir Charles Chadwyck Healey, K.C.B., K.C.

"The offer of a portrait of the first Lord Grimthorpe was declined." [p. 356]

Council held on November 2nd, 1917. [p. 358]

Eighteen Benchers present.

Read and approved the following Report of the meeting of the Finance Committee of October 26th, 1917.

"Upon consideration of the Report of the Steward on the result of the conversion of Chambers on the 2nd and 3rd floors in Old Square and Stone Buildings into residential flats, the Committee Resolved to recommend to the Council that notwithstanding the high prices of labour and materials it is desirable from a financial point of view to continue the conversion." [p. 359]

Read the following report of the Wine Committee of its meeting held on the October 25th, 1917.

"The Committee resolved as follows

1. To recommend the sale of the Cliquot 1904 forthwith at not less than 165/-.
2. To lay before the Council the case of the Champagne say 50 dozen Cliquot and 30 dozen Pommery 1906 which are now at their best and for which they understand a price of about 150/- could be obtained.
3. That the present price for claret Mouton Rothschild 1900 (42 dozen) should be ascertained and mentioned to the Council viz. 42/-.
4. That 12 dozen French Moselle at 42/- should be purchased for immediate drinking.

"Ordered that the sale of the Cliquot 1904 and the purchase of Moselle be approved and that the remainder of the report be referred back to the Wine Committee with power to act." [p. 360]

"Read correspondence of Steward with Law Fire Insurance Society as to insurance of rent of chambers where untenable on account of fire or air raid, and approved policy for two years, premium estimated at about £50." [p. 360]

"The application of the Topical Press Agency to photograph the interior of the Library was granted." [p. 360]

Council held on 26th November, 1917. [p. 363]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Read and considered two petitions by Students for call to the Bar without keeping terms and passing the examinations for Call as was possible under Consolidated Regulations 37A and 38A.

The first petition is very lengthy so that only extracts are here given.

Petition of Sardar Khan Bahadur Rustom Jehanghir Vakil: "that your petitioner is a Khan Bahadur and an Honorary Magistrate of the First Class holding summary powers and working for the last seven years in the City of Ahmedabad (Bombay Presidency) during which time he has had occasion to try numerous important cases, even those pertaining to commitment to the Court of Sessions, and he has made a special study of the Evidence Act and the Criminal Procedure and Indian Penal Code.

.....

"that your petitioner joined the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn in the June Term of 1914, with a view to qualify himself as a Barrister by putting in as many terms as he may be required to do, by the Honourable Benchers, and passing his examination by continuous study in England.

"that the sudden outbreak of War in August 1914 rendered your petitioner's presence on Ahmedabad necessary, as important work in connection with the War, as well as his magisterial and other public duties had to be attended to, and that consequently he had to return to India, with his family.

"that your humble petitioner has been, since his return to India, engaged in various branches of work in connection with the War, such as the War Loan, Ambulance, War Fetes etc.

that your petitioner feels very proud to say that he has also been nominated a member of the Provincial Recruiting Board, by His Excellency the Governor of Bombay so recently as August 5th 1917 ...

"that your petitioner in view of the fact (a) he is unable to leave his work at present to go to England (b) that he is at present doing work in other lines very useful to the Government and the Empire, prays most respectfully, that the Honourable Benchers would be so good as to waive the keeping of terms and passing of examinations in his case and call him to the Bar.

"In conclusion, your petitioner respectfully begs to add that in thus requesting the Honourable Benchers he has no desire of personal gain, as he is a man of independent means, but that his sole object in securing the honour of being called to the Bar is no other than to qualify himself to discharge his duties as a Magistrate with greater prestige."

The petition was refused. [pp. 363-366]

The second petition is dated November 14th, 1917, and is the petition of Captain (Acting Lieut.-Col.) Brian Macmahon Mahon D.S.O., M.C.

"I beg respectfully to forward a petition to request that I may be allowed the privileges granted under paragraphs 37A and 38A Consolidated Regulations (22nd May 1916), to enable me to be called to the Bar.

"The particulars of my services during the War, but for which I feel confident I should by now have completed my Legal Education, are as follows.

"I joined the London Irish Rifles on 4th August 1914 and have served continuously in France with 47th Division since 9th March 1915. After the battle of the Somme I was promoted Lieut.-Colonel to command the London Irish Rifles, and at the present time I am commanding the 1st Battalion 20th London Regiment.

"It is improbable that I shall practise at the Bar, but I should consider it a very great honour if I might be called and become a Member of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn.

"I was admitted on 4th November 1910. The examinations I have passed are Roman Law, Criminal Law and Constitutional Law (with Honours)."

The petition was granted. [*pp.* 366, 367]

Read and adopted a report of a meeting of the Finance Committee held on November 26th, 1917, from which the following extracts are taken.

"1. [The Committee] recommend that 10 p.c. be added to the wages of clerks and servants subject to any additions made since the War. Details to be settled by the Treasurer and Mr. Methold.

"2. On the question, raised by the Treasurer whether the money obtained from the sale of wine might not be applied to the purchase of War Savings Bonds, the Committee resolved that, having regard to the state of the Society's overdraft in their account at the Bank, they could not recommend the purchase." [*p.* 371]

"Read a report of the Wine Committee recommending the sale of the Cliquot Champagne 1904, the Cliquot Champagne 1906 and Pommery Champagne 1906 held by the Society at 168/- per dozen, which was adopted." [*p.* 373]

Council held on December 18th, 1917. [*p.* 375]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

A motion "that the Society should forthwith invest £1000 in National War Bonds was carried unanimously. The Treasurer requested to undertake to arrange details with Broker. [*p.* 376]

Read a report of a meeting of the Building Committee held on December 13th, 1917, relative to the conversion of Chambers into residential flats.

"The Building Committee have to report that during the current year 23 unlet and unlettable sets of chambers on the 2nd and 3rd floors throughout the Inn have been converted into residential flats each containing kitchen, fitted bath room with lavatory basin and W.C. and have all been let for a minimum term of 3 years.

"20 of these flats are finished and the tenants are in occupation. 3 are in progress and will cost about £100 to complete.

"The new nett rentals amount to £1947 per annum. The former rental was £1709 (rates now paid by the Society £500.10/-) and the cost including the before mentioned £100 is £2123. Of this amount when the accounts passed this day are paid over £2000 will have been actually defrayed.

"In all there are about 13 additional empty sets which can be converted to produce a rent of about £1000 a year at a cost not exceeding £1200. Of these 2 have been partly converted and are in an advanced state and some work has been done to 2 other sets at a cost of about £150.

"Baths, lavatory basins, W.C. fittings, sinks, and other materials are now on the premises to the cost of about £300 making a total expenditure of about £2450 on the conversion of chambers.

"Upon the motion of the Treasurer It was Ordered that one hundred guineas be presented to the Steward in recognition of his special services in connection with the alteration of chambers. [*pp.* 376, 377]

Read the following report of a meeting of the Finance Committee held on December 18th, 1917.

"The Committee report that they approved the recommendation of the Kitchen Committee to add 10% to remuneration of Chef and Kitchen Clerk." [*p.* 377]

Treasurer: Lord Muir Mackenzie, G.C.B.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 2 Albert Henry Jessel, K.C.
2. May 2 Judge Ernest Wynne Martelli, K.C.
3. June 30 Thomas Henry Carson, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Jessel. b.1864. Company law. Nephew of Sir George Jessel, M.R.
2. Martelli. b.1862. County Court Judge for Hampshire from 1916.
3. Carson. Editor Carson's Real Property Statutes. Cousin of Lord Carson.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. William Llewellyn-Williams, K.C., M.P.
 2. James W. Greig, C.B., K.C., M.P.
 3. F.H. Maugham, K.C.
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Council held on January 11th, 1918. [p. 378]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Read the following report of the Steward re: the Air Raid on December 18th, 1917.

"At about 6.45 on the evening of the 18th December 1917 the first warning of an impending air raid on the Metropolis was received here. At the time the Masters of the Bench were holding a Council Meeting, 26 Benchers being present. The dinner following the meeting was fixed for 7 o'clock but on receipt of the warning was postponed for a time.

"The call to take cover was sounded and at about 7.30 severe gun fire and the sound of aeroplane engines was heard in this district. Thereupon the Masters of the Bench and others in the Hall and Library Buildings retired to the Basement.¹ In the meantime those within the Inn had taken cover, about 40 residents and others availed themselves of the shelter in the basement of No. 9 Old Square where the windows had been protected, tables and chairs set out and fires and lamps had been lighted by the Porters on the first warning.

"The firing of guns was continuous and bombs were heard to fall within a short distance of the Inn. One fell in Gray's Inn which did not explode and two fell in the Temple and others in the immediate neighbourhood. There was a lull and the raid appeared to be ended but at about 8.10 a bomb was heard to fall near the Hall and Library Buildings which were shaken by the concussion. Shortly after it was reported that a bomb had fallen in Stone Buildings. It is curious that so momentary was the disruption that 10 minutes after the bomb had fallen the Police and others who were in Old Square at the time were not aware that one had fallen within the Inn. After the fall of the Bomb the firing gradually ceased and the Masters of the Bench proceeded to dine in the Hall. All clear was sounded at about 8.45 and the premises were vacated by 10 o'clock. Fortunately no personal injury was sustained.

"The bomb which is said to have been one calculated to burst laterally fell about 8 feet from the entrance to the Drill Hall in Stone Buildings (on the occasion of the last raid a bomb fell within 15 feet from the entrance to the Drill Hall in Chancery Lane) and caused considerable damage to the stone steps and doorway and entrance and to the iron railings. The whole of the window sashes and frames on the west side and many on the east side of the Drill Hall were destroyed and the internal doors and partitions displaced.

"The whole of the glass in the windows on the east side of the houses on the west side of Stone Buildings and most of the sashes and many of the frames

¹ See Introduction, p. 50, n. 1 for a fuller account of the Benchers sojourn in the basement.

to the windows were destroyed and much damage done to door frames, doors, partitions &c. and to the W.C.'s in the area.

"The exterior stonework throughout Stone Buildings was damaged in many places, soil and other pipes perforated and iron railings around the areas broken and a portion of the kerb which forms the base of the iron railings forced bodily out of position but comparatively little damage has been sustained. The water and gas mains were both broken into."

[The report continues at length with an account of the negotiations with the insurance company of the claims of the Inn and its tenants, and the putting in hand of the restoration works, the cost being estimated at between £3000 and £4000.]

Council "Ordered the Report be recorded in the Black Books, and that the Report be referred to the Finance Committee to consider the renewal of the policy in respect of the £3000 odd loss." [pp. 379-382]

"The application from the Adjutant 1st Cadet Battalion, Inns of Court, for permission to drill in Lincoln's Inn was granted." [p. 382]

"The application from the Inns of Court O.T.C. to cut a doorway between the C.O.'s room and the passage was referred to the Building Committee." [p. 382]

Council held on January 31st, 1918. [p. 386]
Twenty Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Gray's Inn.

"Read a letter dated the 7th December from the Director of Employment Exchanges (Ministry of Labour) asking for information with regard to the number of Members of Gray's Inn now serving with the Forces of the Crown and for other information on matters referred to in an appendix to the letter.

"Ordered that the Under Treasurer be directed to furnish the information asked for in Questions 1 and 2 of the appendix.

"Ordered further that the other Inns of Court be invited to concur in referring these matters for consideration and report to a Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court to consist of three members of each Inn, together with the Law Officers, the Chairman of the Council of Legal Education, the Chairman of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar."

Ordered that Mr. Justice Younger, Mr. Romer K.C. and Mr. Underhill be appointed to consider the matter before next Council.

Ordered that the consideration of same stand over to next Council. [pp. 387, 388]

Council held on March 12th, 1918. [p. 389]

Forty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Dighton Nicholas Pollock [*pp.* 388, 392]

Ordered payment to the Bar Library Committee of £130.6.9. upon the basis of Members in the Law List 1917, viz. L.I. 2595: I.T. 4305: M.T. 3473: G.I. 1144. [*pp.* 391, 392]

Read and adopted the following report of the Special Committee appointed to consider a communication from the Ministry of Labour, dated February 21st, 1918.

"The Committee recommends that the Masters of the Bench appoint three of their Members to serve on a Joint Committee of the Four Inns to consider the position of Members of the Bar returning to practice, this Committee being of opinion that the attitude on this question adopted by the Benchers of the Inner and Middle Temples should be followed by this Inn, in preference to the course suggested by the Benchers of Gray's Inn." [*p.* 393]

"The application from T.J.C. Tomlin, Esq., K.C. on behalf of the 1st Cadet Battalion Inns of Court, for permission to use the Old Hall for lectures from 6 to 7 p.m. on 2 days of each week was Granted." [*p.* 394]

"On the Motion of T.R. Hughes, Esq., K.C. It was Ordered that a set of Chambers be placed at the disposal of the Cadet Corps formed in connection with the Inns of Court O.T.C. under the command of Mr. Tomlin K.C. without rent but on the terms that it is to be vacated at short notice if required at any time." [*p.* 394]

Council held on April 9th, 1918. [p. 395]

Nineteen Benchers present.

"The application by the Judges for the use of the Hall for hearing an appeal on the 16th April was granted." [*p.* 397]

Read the Report of the Council of Legal Education to the Inns of Court dated February 25th, 1918, from which the following extract is taken. [*p.* 397]

"The number of Students presenting themselves for the Lectures and Examinations continued to decrease until Michaelmas, as appears from the Tables in the Appendix; but the attendance during Michaelmas Term at the Lectures on the subjects for the Final Examination was larger than the average attendance for the whole year, and the number of candidates at the Michaelmas Final Examination was greater than at Easter or Trinity, notwithstanding the existence of Rule 38A, enabling the Benchers of any Inn to dispense with the Examinations in the case of Students who return after War Service. Under this Rule 49 Students have been granted exemption from the whole or some part or parts of the Bar Examination,

and of these all but 6 were excused the Final Examination; so that the number of Candidates for the Final Examination has been materially affected by the exemptions so granted."

A total of 137 candidates entered for the Final Examination of whom 100 passed.

Council held on May 6th, 1918. [p. 404]

Twenty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Thomas James Chesshyre Tomlin, K.C. [*pp.* 396, 407]

Read the following communication from Gray's Inn

"Upon considering Orders made by the Honourable Societies of the Inner Temple, Middle Temple and Lincoln's Inn, with reference to a letter dated the 7th December 1917 from the Director of Employment Exchanges and an Order of this Bench of the 16th January 1918 It was Ordered: that while this Bench is still of opinion that the wider reference proposed in the Pension Order of the 16th January is desirable, they concur in the appointment of a Joint Committee as suggested by the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple ..." [p. 405]

Read a communication from the Inns of Court Regimental Association of which the following is an extract.

"The record of the work accomplished by the [Inns of Court Officers Training] Corps since the outbreak of War is well known. It has enlisted over 12000 men for the purpose of training them as Officers and of these over 1200 have given their lives for their Country. This work is still being carried on but it is both desirable and necessary that steps should be taken without delay to help, on their return to civil life, the former Members of the Corps. For this purpose the Association has been formed and the promoters hope to be able to render practical service to those who have sacrificed temporarily or permanently, their civilian positions and generally to assist in the solution of the re-settlement problems particularly as they affect ex-officers of the Army.

"As you will see, the Lord Chancellor [Lord Finlay] (a former member of the Corps) and Field-Marshal Sir Evelyn Wood (since 1899 its Honorary Colonel) have kindly consented to become President and Deputy President respectively, and knowing the great interest that your Honourable Society has at all times displayed in the Corps, the Commanding Officer hopes that it will also give the scheme the benefit of its support by acceding to this invitation that its Treasurer should become a Vice President of the Association."

Resolved that a letter be written stating that though the Inn would doubtless always take a sympathetic interest, the Council did not think it desirable that the Treasurer should be an ex-officio Vice President. [*pp.* 407, 408]

The application for the use of a room for the purpose of holding a Court by the Special Local Tribunal for London for hearing and adjudicating upon applications by Russian subjects claiming exemption from Military Service was granted. [p. 408]

Ordered that the Order relative to reading in chambers of July 10th, 1916¹ be continued until Easter Term 1919 and further application to be made before expiration of that order. [pp. 409, 410]

Council held on May 28th, 1918. [p. 411]

Seventeen Benchers present.

"Read the Steward's Report of the death of the Right Honourable Lord Courtney of Penwith an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society." [p. 411]

Read the following communication from the National War Savings Committee, dated May 9th, 1918.

"The Lord Chancellor [Lord Finlay] has consented to preside at a War Savings Meeting of the Legal Profession which will be held in the Middle Temple Hall . . . on Monday afternoon June 23rd.

"Sir Robert Kindersley, Chairman of the National War Savings Committee, will address the meeting and several of His Majesty's Judges as well as the General Council of the Bar and the Incorporated Law Society have promised their support.

"We shall be glad to know if we may count upon the support of the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn."

"Ordered that Council express their approval of the Meeting and direct the posters be exhibited in suitable places in the Inn." [p. 412]

Council held on June 17th, 1918. [p. 415]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Read and adopted the report dated May 14th, 1918, of the Joint Committee on the Duties Interests and Discipline of the Bar relative to the construction of the expression "such qualifications" in Consolidated Regulation 38A.² The Joint Committee resolved

"that the word 'qualifications' in Regulation 38A does not mean mere possession of such intelligence or ability as might have enabled the Student to obtain the Certificate in question, but refers to proof of such capacity derived from his previous record coupled with some legal knowledge." [pp. 415-417]

Read the report of the Building Committee

¹ *Ante*, p. 96; and see *ante*, p. 113.

² The Regulation is set out at p. 92, *ante*.

"that the claim under the Government Policy in respect of the damage caused by the Air Raid on the 18th December 1917 has now been settled and that the sum of £6892.14.10 has been received by the Society." [p. 420]

Adjourned Council held on July 16th, 1918, [p. 422]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Ordered that ... there be laid out £2000 in the purchase of 1923 National War Bonds. [p. 422]

"Read the report of the Steward that the shell from one of our Aircraft Guns which fell in the garden opposite the Hall during the last raid has been removed by the Military Authorities." [p. 423]

Read the report of the Joint Committee on the question of Barristers serving in the Forces returning to practise from which the following extracts are taken.

From the Majority Report

"The Committee after considerable discussion and by a majority resolved to make the following recommendations to the Four Inns of Court:—

(1) That a War Committee be appointed and that it consist of 11 Members, 2 to be appointed by each Inn of Court and the Chairman and two other Members of the Bar Council:

(2) That it be suggested that the Four Inns of Court be asked to pay in equal shares the expenses which must necessarily be incurred in providing a Secretary and office accommodation:

(3) That the duties of the War Committee be as follows:—

(a) Generally to collect and record all information relating to matters of interest to returning barristers and students and in every way to further their interests.

(b) To collect and record all possible information as to appointments for which Barristers alone are eligible and to secure as far as possible preferential consideration of applications for such appointments from Barristers who have served in His Majesty's Forces or who having entirely abandoned their practice have given their whole time to the service of the Country in a civil capacity:

(c) To consider what, if any, modifications in the existing etiquette of the Bar should be made in order to render easier and quicker the resumption of their practices by returning Barristers and to recommend such mitigations to the four Inns of Court and the General Council of the Bar."

From the Minority Report

"3. That all such Barristers and Students, whether desirous of returning to the Bar or otherwise, should be invited to apply at the offices of their respective Inns of Court and should there be furnished with all information and assistance that is possible.

"5. That it is not desirable to constitute a separate Board or Committee for the carrying out of these objects."

Council Ordered that in lieu of the recommendations contained in the Majority Report, it be referred to the Bar Council to deal with the matters contained in Clauses 3(a), 3(b) and 3(c) down to the word "Barristers" of that report and further that this Inn would be prepared to consider any application for a contribution towards defraying any additional necessary expenses thrown upon the Bar Council by carrying into effect the foregoing resolution.¹ [pp. 423-428]

"A communication from the solicitors to the widow of the late Mr. J.H.M. Ryan a Barrister of this Honourable Society² offering the gift of part of his library consisting of Indian Law Reports to the Society was referred to the Library Committee." [p. 428]

Adjourned Council held on October 14th, 1918. [p. 429]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"It was resolved that the Treasurer and Benchers offer their congratulations to the Preacher on his appointment to the Deanery of Exeter and thank him for his offer, which they gladly accept, to continue for Michaelmas Term in the Office of Preacher." [p. 431]

"The Treasurer referred to a communication he had received from Theo. Mathew, Esq., offering sketches by the late Sir Frank Lockwood which were accepted with thanks to the donor."³ [p. 431]

"The request from Sir Alfred G. Davies, K.B.E., C.B. for help towards providing Law Books for prisoners of War was referred to the Finance Committee with power to act." [p. 436]

"Read the Steward's report of the death of F.G. Woolgar late Night Master and Pensioner of the Society." [p. 436]

Council held on November 4th, 1918. [p. 437]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Charles Ashworth James [p. 440]

"The communication dated 2nd October 1918 from the Major General Commanding Royal Air Force in the Field relative to proposals for Legal

¹ The Inner Temple and Gray's Inn passed resolutions in the same terms as Lincoln's Inn; The Middle Temple adopted the minority report with modifications. [pp. 428, 430-431, 446].

² John Hugh McArdley Ryan was called to the Bar by the Middle Temple on January 26th, 1886. He was never a member of Lincoln's Inn, though he was a tenant of chambers at No. 7 Stone Buildings. There is no record of any action by the Library Committee, possibly because of the discovery of the misunderstanding as to his Inn of Court.

³ See *post*, p. 248, for a further gift.

Instruction for Bar Students in the Royal Air Force in France was referred to the Council of Legal Education." [p. 438]

Officers for 1919. [pp. 439, 450]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Viscount Haldane.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Herbert Henry Asquith, K.C., M.P.

Dean of the Chapel: Sir Charles Chadwyck Healey, K.C.B., K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: David Lindo Alexander, Esq., K.C.

Master of the Walks: Sir Alfred Hopkinson, K.C.

Read and adopted the following report of a meeting on 28th October of the Chapel Committee.

The Chapel Committee recommended that the Dean of Exeter be asked to continue his duties on the following terms and conditions.

- "1. that his remuneration at the rate of 200 guineas year be continued.
2. that his duties consist of the conduct of Divine Service and Preaching on every Sunday in Term except on the occasion of a Warburton Lecture, but with liberty to employ a substitute on one Sunday in any term.
3. that if on the occasion of any Memorial or Special Service ordered by the Bench he be unable to attend and conduct the Service a substitute shall be found by the Bench.
4. that the duration of office be five years from Christmas 1917 when he was first appointed terminable by his resignation or by order of the Bench." [p. 439]

Read a communication from the Judge Advocate General¹ relative to the offer of hospitality to Members of the Judge Advocate General's Branch of the American Forces in the United Kingdom and Ordered "that Mr. Beck to be free of the Library and that the Members of the Judge Advocate General's Branch of the American Army in England whose names are mentioned in the Judge Advocate General's letter dated October 22nd, 1918, be free of the Library until further order and for the present term of the Bar Table." [pp. 439, 440]

Read the Petition of Barristers asking that the hour for dining in Hall during the winter might be altered from 7 to 6 o'clock. The Steward to write and inform Mr. Humphry that the Bench do not see their way to make the alteration." [p. 441]

"The application from the Hon. Sec. to the Ministry of Information for permission to be allowed to bring a small party (4) of Americans to visit the Inn two or three times a week was granted." [p. 441]

The Armistice came into force on November 11.

¹ (Sir) Felix Cassel (Bart) K.C., a Bencher of Lincoln's Inn.

Council held on November 25th, 1918. [p. 444]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Roland Edmund Lomax Vaughan Williams, K.C.

Charles James Mathew, K.C.

Henry Martley Giveen. [pp. 449, 450]

Read the following letter dated October 21st, 1918, from the Law Society.

"The attention of the Council has been directed to the case of a solicitor who desiring to seek Call to the Bar finds that owing to War Service he cannot show the necessary five years qualifying period for the purpose. It appears that the solicitor in question having held three practising certificates has since the expiration of the last been constantly employed for two years and over on service with H.M. Forces.

"I am desired by the Council to request that the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn will be so good as to take into favourable consideration the desirability of arranging with the Honourable Societies of Middle Temple, Inner Temple and Gray's Inn to amend the Bar Regulations in such a way as to secure that solicitors seeking Call to the Bar shall not be in any worse position owing to war service so far as the qualifying period is concerned than if they had continued to practise as solicitors."

Ordered that the letter be referred to the Standing Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar for consideration and report. [pp. 447, 448]

"The application from J. Lort-Williams, Esq., relative to the housing of the Hardwicke Society was referred to the Building Committee for consideration and report." [p. 448]

Read the following report of the meeting on 13th December of the Building Committee relative to the conversion of Chambers into residential flats.

"... since 13th December 1917 the date of the last report the unfinished work then referred to has been completed. In compliance with the Order of the Bench made the 18th December 1917 the work of conversion has been continued with the result that 34 sets of Chambers have been dealt with and each set has been let for a minimum term of 3 years.

At Christmas 1916 the whole of these Chambers were unlet and unlettable; the rents at which they were then screened amounted to £2681.

The present rent of the 34 sets is £3111.10 and the cost of conversion will not exceed £3800.

An improved rental of £430 per annum has been obtained equal to over 11% upon the outlay, and before the end of the Financial Year more than £3800 will have been received in respect of the rent of the converted Chambers"

"Resolved that the sum of £105 be awarded to the Steward as a special recognition of the services rendered by him in connection with the conversion of Chambers into residential suites." [p. 449]

"Ordered that the Keeper of the Black Book be requested to write a letter of thanks . . . to Spencer L. Holland, Esq., for the Screen presented by him to the Society." [p. 452]

Adjourned Council held on December 17th, 1918. [p. 453]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Upon consideration of a communication from a Lady as to Admission as a Student

It was moved by Lord Buckmaster and seconded by Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart. that the application be acceded.

Resolved that the Motion stand over to 2nd Council day next sittings. The Treasurer undertakes to write to the other Inns. [p. 455]

The Motion of Lord Muir Mackenzie (with the concurrence of the Treasurer and the Treasurer elect) that the President of the United States be invited to be a Member of the Bench was carried.¹ [pp. 455, 456]

"The Motion of Mr. Justice Eve that a special committee of the Bench be appointed

1. To take steps to compile a complete and permanent record of all Members of this Honourable Society—Barristers and Students—who have served in any capacity in His Majesty's Forces during the War, and
2. To consider and report what steps ought to be taken to perpetuate the memory of such of them who have laid down their lives

was carried and that [six named Benchers] be appointed members of a committee with power to act." [p. 456]

Read and adopted the following report of the Building Committee on the application of the Hardwicke Society for the use of the Old Hall for meetings and for accommodation for use as offices.

"We are prepared to advise the Bench to comply with the application so far as relates to the use of the Old Hall and request the Steward to report further as to the possibility of meeting the rest of the application." [p. 457]

Read the report of the Building and Chapel Committees in relation to the restoration of the stained glass windows in the Chapel.

At a meeting held on the December 10th, 1918, the Committee recommended that the restoration of the East Window be proceeded with and that Messrs Kempe & Co. be invited to submit a contract for the work to be done

¹ President Woodrow Wilson, who had just arrived in Europe to attend the Peace Conference, did not become a Member of the Bench.

A letter dated December 11th, 1918, from Kempe & Co. includes the following:

"We are glad to hear that there is now a prospect of starting the work of restoration of the Easter[n] Window of the Chapel; and we understand that the seven lower lights—below the transom—are the first to be considered.

"The three central lights containing the more recent shields do not require so much in the way of repair as the four outside lights which are very badly damaged and require making good almost entirely.

"We have again carefully inspected this glass, and we would advise that the new shields required for the outside lights should be painted on the same lines as we have followed in the case of recent Treasurers' shields in the North Window, rather than attempt a replica and restoration of the 'enamelled' glass of the 1800-1850 period in the East Window. We should however not disturb those enamelled shields which are intact or can be easily leaded where only cracked. There are however four or five crudely painted shields which might be repainted with advantage so as to be more in harmony with the other work. The copper frames which contain the glass panels in the four outside lights will require some straightening."

The letter went on to quote £265 for the work thus described.

The report of the two committees also states

"The architect was invited to give his opinion on various suggestions that were made and visited the Chapel with Lord Muir Mackenzie. He approved of Kempes' report on the East Window and thought the estimate reasonable. He agreed that one of the old windows on the South side should be transferred to the North, if the result of restoring the 2nd window from the East on the North side is substantially to reproduce it as an ancient window—the object being that there shall be an equal number of those windows on each side."

Council adopted the report and Ordered that the Committee be given power to act generally on the restoration of the Chapel windows. [*pp.* 457-459]

The Kitchen Committee reported that they were satisfied that proper economy had been observed and that the regulations laid down by the Food Controller had been conformed to. The report continued

"The number of diners in Hall has considerably increased and very little complaint has been received in respect of either dinners or lunches."

Council adopted the report. [*p.* 459]

"The Rt. Hon. Lord Muir Mackenzie referred to a proposition as affording help towards the re-instatement of the Library at Louvain. Ordered that it be referred to the Library Committee with power to act." [*p.* 459]

"The application of Miss A.M. Bucton for the use of the Hall for the production of a new play called 'the Dawn of Day' was granted on the usual terms." [p. 459]

Treasurer: Sir William Phipson Beale, Bt., K.C., M.P.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 12 John Dixon
2. March 19 Sir Robert Romer
3. July 12 Lord Parker of Waddington
4. October 13 Mr. Justice Neville
5. October 18 Sir Edward Fry
6. October 28 Sir Philip Gregory

Biographical notes

1. Dixon. b.1839. One of six conveyancing counsel of the Chancery Division. Expert on mining leases.

6. Gregory. b.1851. Conveyancing counsel of the Chancery Division from 1902. Member, Royal Commission on the Land Transfer Act, 1908. Kt. 1913. See below.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Dighton Pollock
2. Thomas J.C. Tomlin, K.C.
3. Charles Ashworth James
4. Roland E.L. Vaughan Williams, K.C.
5. Charles James Mathew, K.C.
6. Henry Martley Givven

Supplementary:

From the autobiography of C.R. Attlee (Prime Minister, 1945–1951) *As it Happened* (1954) p. 17.

"In 1904 this pleasant time came to an end and I started work in London reading in Chambers with Sir Philip Gregory, one of the leading conveyancing counsel of that day. He was quite a hard taskmaster, and his pupils were expected to know the papers very thoroughly."

His recent biographer, Francis Beckett, *Clem Attlee* (1997), at p. 17 adds: "But Clem was to be grateful, years later in government, for the skill of exact drafting which he learned there."

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Council held on January 13th, 1919. [p. 460]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

The Rt. Hon. Lord Muir Mackenzie referred to communications he had received from the Treasurers of the other Inns of Court relative to the application of a Lady for admission as a Student of this Honourable Society. [p. 461]

Council held on January 31st, 1919. [p. 468]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

"Read a communication from a Lady as to Admission as a Student (adjourned from Council held 17th December 1918) upon which no Order was made." [p. 470]

Read communications from Inner Temple, Middle Temple and Gray's Inn referring the question as to the admission of women as students to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar for their consideration and report. [pp. 470, 471]

"... It was Ordered:

1. That this Bench, while not expressing any opinion adverse to the admission of women as members of this Inn of Court with a view to being called to the Bar, is of opinion (a) that that matter is part of a much larger matter, to wit, the admission of women to take part in the administration of justice as judges, barristers, solicitors, Masters and officers of the Court, Justices of the Peace, jurors and otherwise; (b) that the matter is thus one of great national importance; (c) that the matter can be dealt with as a whole only by the authority of Parliament; (d) that until the matter had been so dealt with, no woman ought to be admitted as a member of this Inn

2. That a copy of the above Resolution be communicated to each of the other Inns of Court.

3. That any Member of the Bench, being a member of either House of Parliament, be at liberty at his discretion, to communicate the above Resolution to the House of which he is a member." [p. 472]

"The Motion of Lord Muir-Mackenzie that the Rt. Hon. Sir Satyendra Prasanna Sinha be invited to become an Honorary Member of the Bench, and that any necessary amendment of the orders relating to Honorary Members be made accordingly, was adjourned." [p. 472]

Read the following communication dated January 21st, 1919, from the Committee of the Common Room by their Secretary, to which the Bench agreed

"I beg to inform you that the Committee of the Common Room have in accordance with Rule 4 of the Rules, and subject to the approval of the Masters of the Bench, elected Lieut. Nevett M.C. to be an Honorary Member of the Common Room pending his return to Australia in a few months time.

"Lieut. Nevett is an Australian and a member of a firm of Solicitors and an Advocate in Australia and 3½ years ago came to England where he joined the Colours and now holds a commission in the Royal Artillery. He is at present reading in Mr. Hodge's chambers" [pp. 473, 474]

Adjourned Council held on March 3rd, 1919. [p. 475]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Pierre Georges Edmond Gide, a Barrister of this Society, dated February 10th, 1919.

"As a Member of Lincoln's Inn and of the Court of Appeal of Paris, may I suggest to you the following idea:—

"Intercourse between England and France will certainly increase considerably after the War and your Students may in the future, much more than in the past, be called upon to decide legal questions relating to private international law (wills, marriage settlements, contracts, patents, companies &c.). Do you think it would be interesting for them to be present at 8 or 10 lectures upon such subjects? My intention would be to deal with the same from a very practical point of view.

"As you probably know I am a specialist in questions appertaining to private international law. During the War I was appointed Legal Adviser of the British Base in Rouen. I am contributing regularly to the *Law Times* and to the *Law Quarterly Review* (see specially [(1913) 29 L.Q.R. 42; (1916) 32 L.Q.R. 193]).

"May I add that the name of my family is well known in France in legal and literary circles. I am a relative of Mr. Charles Gide, the economist, and of Mr. Andre Gide. One of my uncles, Mr. Louis Sarrut, is first President of the Court of Cassation, which is the highest jurisdiction existing in France.

"Should my suggestion be favourably considered by your Honourable Society, I should consider it a very great honour to give these lectures at Lincoln's Inn where I passed some years ago a very happy and studious time."

Council referred the letter to the Council of Legal Education. [p. 478]

Ordered payment of the sum of £183.8s. to the Bar Library Committee upon the basis of Members in the Law List 1918, viz. L.I. 2524: I.T. 4299: M.T. 3471: G.I. 1150. [p. 479]

Ordered that for the purpose of the proposal and election of a Bencher to fill the vacancy created by the death of Aldred William Rowden, K.C., Rule 3 of the Rules for Election of Benchers be suspended.¹ [p. 480]

Read a communication from the Mayor of Holborn relative to the election of an Alderman of the Borough in the place of Alderman W. Donaldson Rawlins K.C. resigned.

Read the following communication dated February 17th, 1919, from the third clerk in the Steward's Office, Captain N.Y. Marriott.

"I have the honour to report that I was gazetted out of the Army on ceasing to be employed on 3rd February and have returned to work here today.

¹ For the Rules, see 5.BB. 327, 328. Rule 3 provides that no person admitted *ad eundem* should be invited to the Bench until ten years after such admission.

"My record of services book and copy of extracts from letters from General Officers Commanding and other bearing on my services are enclosed for your information.

"I have to thank the Masters of the Bench for the generous assistance they have given me during the time I have been in the Army and for keeping my post open for me on my return." [p. 481]

Read a communication from Brig. Gen. Director of Education Australian Imperial Force asking that Students attending lectures of the Council of Legal Education may be granted permission to read in Lincoln's Inn Library. Ordered that the same be granted, provided that such students produce a certificate from the Director identifying them. [pp. 481, 482]

"An application from the Union Society of London for the use of the Old Hall on Wednesday the 9th April for their Ladies Night was granted." [p. 482]

Adjourned Council held on April 7th, 1919. [p. 483]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Joseph Herbert Cunliffe, K.C.¹ [pp. 480, 485]

Read and adopted the report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar, dated February 19th, 1919.

On the subject of the Admission of women to the Bar, the Joint Committee Resolved:—

"That the Committee are of opinion, having regard to the decision of the Judges in the case of Miss Cave, 2nd December, 1903, that women are not now eligible by law to be members of an Inn of Court or to be called to the Bar.

"They are further of opinion that, in view of the possibility of legislation being passed making women so eligible, the Inns of Court should consider in common how best the change could be carried into effect, having regard to the ancient discipline and customs of the Inns of Court and their control over all students and barristers, and that it is desirable that a special committee be appointed by the Four Inns for this purpose." [pp. 485-490]

Read the following Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider a complaint against a Barrister of Lincoln's Inn.

"Your Committee was appointed in the first instance to consider a complaint against Mr. Mir Anwarruddin, a Barrister of this Inn arising out of a hearing before Mr. Justice Bray.

"Particulars were forwarded by the learned Judge on the 13th February 1918 and it appears that the nature of the complaint was that after

¹ Admitted *ad eundem* from the Middle Temple on July 29th 1914. For a later example of early election to the Bench, see *post*, p. 588. (E. Milner Holland, C.B.E., Q.C.)

appearing for an Indian called Dey on a summons before the Master Mr. Mir Anwaruddin refused to appear on the Appeal or to return the papers to Dey on the ground that the latter had not paid him his fees. After the appointment of your Committee Mr. Mir Anwaruddin was charged at the Old Bailey with committing perjury in evidence given by him in February 1918 on the hearing of an action in the King's Bench Division in which he was found guilty by the Jury on the 3rd July 1918 and was sentenced by Mr. Justice Coleridge to six months imprisonment in the second division.

"He appealed against the decision on the 26th July 1918, the tribunal consisting of Mr. Justice Avory, Mr. Justice Rowlatt and Mr. Justice Shearman. Counsel for the Crown were not called on to argue and the appeal was dismissed. Mr. Mir Anwaruddin was represented by Counsel both at the trial at the Old Bailey and on the Appeal.

[The question arising out of that conviction was also referred to the Special Committee]

Mr. Mir Anwaruddin appeared by Counsel before your Committee (Mr. van-den-Berg) on March 12th, 1919 ... and he addressed us at some length and called his client in order that he should himself make a statement on various questions of fact. It appeared that the perjury with which Mr. Mir Anwaruddin was charged was committed in the course of the hearing of a libel action brought by him (and in which he appeared as Counsel for himself) against Mr. Horatio Bottomley, John Bull Ltd. as proprietors of 'John Bull' and the printers. The libel made various charges of improper conduct against the plaintiff and stated amongst other things 'that the whole record of this Indian Barrister is we repeat one calling for the examination of the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn.' The jury, it may be said parenthetically, found that the libels were true. In cross-examination the plaintiff in a series of answers appears to have attempted to minimise his knowledge of a certain Miss Ling and in particular to deny that he was the father of Miss Ling's child. On the hearing before us it was suggested that the report in the Times newspaper of this part of the cross-examination must be inaccurate; but on the short hand notes of Mr. Justice Coleridge's summing up at the Old Bailey being produced by Mr. Mir Anwaruddin your Committee ascertained that the shorthand notes proved at the trial and quoted by Mr. Justice Coleridge in his summing up were substantially if not exactly in accord on this point with the report in the Times Newspaper ... Mr. Mir Anwaruddin alleges that having married his first wife (a Miss Hudd) in England according to English Law, he divorced her in India by a writing of divorce called a Talak, and that he then, namely in March 1916, went through a form of marriage with the said Miss Ling who thus became his second wife according to Mohammedan Law though not as he admits according to English Law. A child was born of this union on the 13th February 1917 and this child he asserts is his heir according to Mohammedan Law. Yet at the trial of the libel action he denied that a child was born of the union and

when the Birth Certificate was put to the witness by Mr. Bottomley in cross-examination Mr. Mir Anwaruddin alleged that he had never seen the certificate before, that he was no longer friendly with Miss Ling, and that he last saw her in the year 1916.

"The suggestion made by Counsel on behalf of the Appellant both on his trial before Mr. Justice Coleridge and the Court of Criminal Appeal was that he thought himself justified in denying that he had lived with Miss Ling and that Miss Ling had borne him a child inasmuch as according to Mohammedan Law Miss Ling was his wife and that he had no intention of deceiving the Court as to the actual facts, but this suggestion was emphatically rejected by the Court of Criminal Appeal. Your Committee then gave their special attention to this aspect of the case and having carefully listened to what was put before them by Counsel and to the statements made by Mr. Mir Anwaruddin are convinced that his conviction for perjury was not in any sense a conviction for a trivial or technical perjury but was based upon a wilful and deliberate attempt by repeated answers and denials to mislead the Court.

"The crime of perjury seems to Your Committee an offence which in the case of a Barrister conducting his own case can scarcely be excused or condoned. Your Committee has been unable after careful consideration to see any grounds of mitigation of Mr. Mir Anwaruddin's offence, and they feel compelled to report that in their opinion he ought to be disbarred.

"Having regard to their conclusion on this matter, Your Committee did not think it necessary to investigate the comparatively trivial charge above mentioned of improper professional conduct originally brought to the attention of the Bench by Mr. Justice Bray."

The Bench Ordered that a letter be sent to Mr. Mir Anwaruddin asking him if he desires to show cause why the report of the Committee should not be confirmed.¹ [pp. 490-492]

Read the following communication from the Council of Legal Education:—

"With reference to a letter from the Director of the Army Educational Scheme asking whether your Bench will accept the Special Army Educational Certificate in lieu of one of the Examination Certificates ordinarily required of Students before Admission, I have to inform you that the matter was considered by the Council yesterday, and it was resolved to recommend that the said certificate be accepted by the Inns, but it was not considered advisable that it should be included in the Schedule to the Consolidated Regulations." [p. 493]

Read the report of the Council of Legal Education dated March 5th, 1919. It contained the following paragraph:

¹ At a Special Council held on May 13th, the report was confirmed and Mir Anwaruddin disbarred. [p. 506] For the unsuccessful appeal to the Judges, see *post*, p. 148.

"Under Rule 38A, enabling the Benchers of any Inn to dispense with the Examinations in the case of Students who return after War Service, 82 Students have been granted exemption during the past year from the whole or some part or parts of the Bar Examination, and of these all but 14 were excused the Final Examination ..." [p. 494]

A total of 137 candidates entered the Final Examination of whom 72 passed.

Read the following communication from F.H.L. Errington, Esq., C.B., dated April 1st, 1919.

"Now that the Inns of Court O.T.C. is being demobilised and reduced to Cadre, I think it would interest the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn to have the following approximate figures relating to the Corps; they cannot be finally checked for some time to come.

Members enlisted since the 4th August 1914	13,540
Commissions	about 12,000
Casualties	nearly 5,000
Honours (including 3 V.C.'s)	nearly 1,000

"I may add that our selection Committees are believed to have dealt with some 130,000 candidates, the averages of acceptances for the Corps being about one in ten.

"Although I no longer command the Corps, I know I represent the feelings of all its Officers in recognising how much the facilities placed at its disposal by the Inn had to do with its successful career.

"Ordered that a letter be written expressing the great gratification of the Bench on the success of the Organisation, and thanks and congratulations, also expressing a wish to have a full record furnished for preservation." [p. 498]

Read the following communication from T. Hodgkinson, the junior Assistant in the Library, dated March 11th, 1919.

"I beg leave to report to the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench that I returned to duty in the Library on March 5th, having been demobilised from the Army.

"I wish to thank them for the financial aid which they have been kind enough to grant me during my military service, and to venture to hope that they will extend to me the assistance towards meeting the increased cost of living which they have given to the other servants of the Inn."

Council referred the letter to the Finance Committee. [pp. 498, 499]

Council held on April 29th, 1919. [p. 500]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

The petition of Capt. Carleton K. Allen, M.C. for exemption from the Examination for Call to the Bar was granted and it was Ordered that Capt. Allen be allowed terms. [p. 501]

Council held on May 26th, 1919 [p. 508]

Nineteen Benchers present.

Gerard William Daman was Ordered to be disbarred at his own request with the view of his becoming a solicitor. [p. 509]

A similar Order was made with regard to Alfred Manfred Wintle Wells. [p. 510]

"Read a communication from the Inner Temple enclosing a Report of a Committee appointed by that Inn to obtain information on the admission of Women as advocates in the Courts of countries other than the United Kingdom." [p. 511]

The Treasurer referred to the statue of Lord Erskine in the Library here and on consideration the question was Ordered to stand over until the next Council with a view to a special resolution being placed upon the agenda." [p. 511]

"The election of the Revd. C.B. Howard Knight, the Warden of the Inns of Court Mission an Honorary Member of the Common Room was approved." [p. 511]

"The offer of a portrait in oils by Partridge of Viscount Eversley¹ was declined." [p. 512]

Read and approved the following Report of a meeting of the Reading in Chambers Committee held on May 22nd, 1919.

"Upon reading the application of Alfred James Long: Resolved that although more than 2 years have elapsed since his call to the Bar he having been on military service during that time be awarded the sum of £52.10/- for reading in chambers.

"The Committee suggest that the Bench confirm this and give power to deal similarly with the other candidates for like case." [p. 512]

Council held on June 17th, 1919. [p. 513]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Oxford University dated May 30th, 1919.

"The Board of the Faculty of Law at Oxford had before it last Saturday copies of a Petition from Overseas Students of Law at Oxford addressed to the Benchers of the Inns of Court, praying that the statutory terms of residence for admission to the Bar might be reduced for candidates who have been on military service.

¹ (1794-1888) As Charles Shaw-Lefevre he was Speaker of the House of Commons from 1839 to 1857, when he retired and was created Viscount Eversley. He was called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1819 and was invited to the Bench of the Inn in 1839: 4BB.201, 248. He died on December 28th, 1888: 5BB.257.

"The Board having considered the Petition desires to express its agreement therewith, and its approval of the prayer of the petitioners." [p. 516]

"Sir Alfred Hopkinson K.C. moved:

that, in view of the public interest attaching to the statue of Lord Erskine and of the character of the statue, the Bench of Lincoln's Inn, to whom the statue was entrusted by the subscribers, considers that the statue should be removed from the Library and placed in some building, such as the Hall of the Royal Courts of Justice, where it can be seen by the Public; provided that a suitable position is selected for it and proper arrangements are made for its safe removal and custody, and that a Committee be appointed to make arrangements with the proper authorities for the selection of a site for the statue and for the carrying the above resolution into effect, and to report the result

which [motion] was lost." [p. 516]

"Sir T. Erskine Holland K.C. moved:

that after carefully considering:—

(1) the action of the Committee of the subscribers to the Erskine statue in entrusting its keeping to the Inn of which Lord Erskine had been a Benchers, and without reference to the temporary and permissive use of the Old Hall as a Court of Justice;

(2) the subsequent dealings of the Inn with the statue, during now all but a hundred years, always in accordance with the wishes of the Committee, the Bench is not prepared to accede to the suggestion that the statue should be removed to the Royal Courts

which [motion] was lost." [pp. 516, 517]

Read the following communication from the Middle Temple.

"At a Parliament held 22nd May 1919, a letter dated April 1919 from Sir Harry Poland, with reference to the statue of Lord Erskine, was read, and it was considered that it would be best for the statue to be placed in the Royal Courts of Justice. It was Ordered that the Bench should co-operate with the General Council of the Bar in forwarding a suggestion to this effect to Lincoln's Inn." [p. 517]

Council held on July 7th, 1919 [p. 521]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

"Ordered that [four named Benchers] be appointed members to represent the Society on [the] Special Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court which is to consider—in view of the possibility of legislation making women eligible to be members of an Inn of Court or to be Called to the Bar—how best the change could be carried into effect." [p. 523]

Read and adopted the report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar dated June 3rd, 1919. Included in the report are the following resolutions

(a) that the Consolidated Regulations should be amended by the addition thereto of the following Regulation

"37b Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 37, and without prejudice to and in addition to the other powers of dispensation conferred by these Regulations, the Masters of the Bench of any Inn may dispense with the keeping by any Student of their Inn of any Term or Terms not exceeding six, if they are satisfied that such dispensation is reasonable having regard to the services of any Student in the Forces of the Crown during the present War or consequent thereon."

(b) that there is nothing in the existing Consolidated Regulations which renders an Actuary ineligible for admission as a Student at an Inn of Court. [*pp.* 523-528]

Read and adopted a report of the Council of Legal Education which contained the following

"It was resolved that the last sentence of Consolidated Regulations 24 be repealed, that is to say the words 'A Student who shall pass an Examination in the First or Second Class shall be entitled to repayment of the fee paid on entering for such Examination.'" [*p.* 528]

Read and adopted the following report of a meeting of the Building Committee held on July 23rd, 1919.

"... the Scheme for conversion of Chambers sanctioned by the Bench in Hilary Term 1917 has now been carried into effect and finished. The converted Chambers had then been unlet for periods varying from 2 to 17 years.

"38 sets have been converted at a cost of £4104. The rentals at which they were screened for letting in 1917 was £2848 and the present rental of £3354. i.e. an improved rent of £506 has been obtained equal to about 12½ p.c. on the outlay ..." [*p.* 529]

The Bench granted permission for the next course of Warburton Lectures to be given in the Chapel by the Venerable Robert Henry Charles D.D., Archdeacon of Westminster. [*p.* 534]

Adjourned Council held on July 28th, 1919. [*p.* 535]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

"The consideration of the Report of the War Memorial Committee was postponed and referred back to the Committee." [*p.* 536]

"Ordered that Charles Grant Church, Esq., James Irvine Stirling, Esq. and Gilbert Harrison John Hurst, Esq. be and they are hereby appointed members to represent the Inn upon the Borough Council." [*p.* 536]

"Ordered that the Keeper of the Black Book be requested to write a letter of thanks to the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Clarke K.C. for a copy of his portrait presented by him to the Society." [*p.* 537]

Adjourned Council held on October 13th, 1919. [p. 539]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Read the Steward's report of the death of the Right Hon. Lord Rathmore an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society. [p. 540]

Council held on November 3rd, 1919. [p. 542]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Roger Bernard Lawrence, K.C.

Officers for 1920 [pp. 541, 549]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Henry Herbert Asquith, K.C.

Master of the Library: David Lindo Alexander, K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Sir Alfred Hopkinson, K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Warrington.¹

Master of the Walks: His Honour Judge Stanger.

Read the following report of a meeting of the War Memorial Committee held on October 24th, 1919.

"Resolved that an outside memorial should be recommended; that Mr. Simpson [the Architect to the Society] should be asked to consider further and suggest the character of the Monument and the best site. The cost would not be less than £500.

"That the photographs sent to the Inn be returned to the senders with a letter, a draft of which was approved."²

"That an estimate be obtained from Mr. Graily Hewitt for a written list of members who served in the War, distinguishing such as were killed."

The report was approved with authority to get estimates for expending not exceeding £500. [pp. 548, 549]

"The Motion of the Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart. that this Honourable Society do offer to the University of Louvain in addition to the books to be selected under the Order made on July 17th, the treatise entitled 'Summa Angelica de casibus consciencie'³ printed at Alost in Flanders in 1490, was lost" [p. 549]

"The Treasurer's Motion that the Inn do invite Lord Buckmaster to sit for his portrait was carried." [p. 549]

¹ At the Council meeting on October 13th, Matthew Snooke Grovesnor Woods, K.C. had been nominated as the Keeper of the Black Book.

² The first suggestion was for a printed book containing on a separate page the personal details and service record, together with a full page photograph, of each member and each son of a member who had served. The proposal was abandoned as too expensive, and a simple list of names was substituted together with an outdoor memorial.

³ By Angelus de Clavasio: this rare book continues to be held by the Library. Its reference number in the *Incunabula Short-Title Catalogue* is: ia.00720000.

The motion of the Hon. Mr. Justice Eve that the application of the Steward for an increase of salary be acceded to, was lost.

"A request from Barristers dining at the Bar Table to have the number of guests allowed on Guest night increased to 12, was granted." [p. 549]

Council held on November 25th, 1919. [p. 554]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Read and approved the Report dated October 19th, 1919, of the Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court on the terms and conditions on which Women should be admitted to the Inns of Court and called to the Bar. The Report is as follows.

The reference to this Committee was "to consider—in view of the possibility of legislation making women eligible to be members of an Inn of Court or to be called to the Bar—how best the change could be carried into effect." At our first meeting we elected Lord Justice Atkin to be Chairman. We have considered the subject of reference at several meetings, and the recommendations in this report represent the unanimous opinion of the members of the committee.

At the date of this report no statute has been passed making women eligible to be called to the Bar. Our attention has been called to three Bills:

1. A Bill which has passed through the House of Lords, introduced by Lord Buckmaster, with the proposed short title, "The Barristers and Solicitors (Qualification of Women) Act, 1919," which provides so far as is material

"A woman shall not be disqualified by sex for being admitted as a student to any of the Inns of Court and for qualifying as a barrister-at-law and being called to the Bar and practising as a Barrister-at-law."

2. A Bill which has passed through the House of Commons with the proposed short title, "The Women's Emancipation Act," which provides, so far as material

"A woman shall not be disqualified by sex or marriage from holding any civil or judicial office or place of profit or trust under His Majesty his heirs and successors or under any authority or body corporate or unincorporate deriving powers directly or indirectly from any Act of Parliament Order in Council Chamber or franchise whatsoever."

This Bill does not appear to deal with the disqualification of a woman to become a barrister.

3. A Bill which has passed through the House of Lords, introduced by the Lord Chancellor, with the proposed short title "The Sex Disqualification (Removal) Act, 1919" which provides so far as is material

"A person shall not be disqualified by sex from the exercise of any public function or from being appointed to any civil or judicial office or post or from entering or assuming any civil profession or vocation or for admission to any incorporated society (whether incorporated by Royal Charter or otherwise)."

The reference to admission to an incorporated society does not include the Inns of Court, which are not corporations. This Bill does not at present, therefore, in terms make it compulsory for an Inn of Court to admit women as members. But we are of opinion that once the legislature had declared its decision that women should be admitted to practice at the bar, it is of the highest importance that they should be admitted to the profession in every respect on the same terms as men, and we so recommend. This includes the keeping of terms, the period of studentship, the passing of the examinations, and all the other requirements of the Consolidated Regulations. The demands made upon, and the privileges granted to, a male student should neither be increased nor abated in the case of a female student. We believe that the claims of women would be satisfied with nothing less; and we believe this solution to be reasonable and in the interests of the whole profession. It follows that female students should be admitted to the existing Inns of Court exactly as men now are. We have considered the suggestion that it might be desirable that women should be provided for by an Inn of Court of their own. There are obvious difficulties in the way of securing such an Inn, in financing it and in managing it: but we are satisfied that it will be in the interests of men and women alike that women should take their place with the least possible friction in the existing well-established order of the profession, and should be subject to the discipline and control of the existing Inns of Court. The Inns of Court now comprise the whole of the bar: they must lose power and prestige if henceforward there were an order of students and barristers outside their jurisdiction.

The above recommendation is easily applied, but we think it is desirable to mention a few matters which are likely to demand attention when the change is made.

(a) Consolidated Regulations

We see no occasion to make any change in these, save such as may be necessary to secure that references to the masculine include the feminine.

(b) Education

Educational requirements, lectures, and attendances, and the examination tests will remain the same.

(c) Reading in Chambers

Reading in barristers' chambers will be as important for women as for men. It is impossible and undesirable to seek to impose any obligation upon members of the junior bar to take any particular pupils; but we are of opinion that it is desirable that barristers, in accepting pupils, should make no distinction between men and women.

(d) Letting Chambers

Similarly the Inns of Court should make no difference between male and female members in the rules or customs with regard to letting chambers.

(e) Dining in Hall

Female students and barristers should dine in Hall with their male fellow members. Whether at the same table or separate tables would be a matter for the internal management of the Inn.

(f) Circuits

Women should be allowed to practise on Circuits and at Sessions on the same terms as men. That is they should, if otherwise eligible, be admitted to the privileges and be subject to the restraints of the Circuit Bar mess, in the same degree as men, so far as the privileges and restraints apply to the actual practice of the profession. There is a valuable social side of the circuit system, as to which we think it undesirable to make any recommendation. The good sense and courtesy of the members of the circuit messes will assuredly lead them to satisfactory conclusions.

(g) Costume

Presumably this is ultimately a matter for the judges, but adhering to the principle that women are to practise the profession under the same conditions as men, we recommend that they should wear the gown and bands and a uniform headdress. What the latter should be, whether the wig or something different, we are not bold enough to advise. A small committee, not of men alone, would probably assist to determine this problem.

(h) Common Rooms, etc.

It will be a matter of internal management within each Inn whether the female members share the existing common rooms and other student organizations, or find it desirable to have common rooms and societies of their own. We have asked Mr. Douthwaite, the Under-Treasurer of Gray's Inn, whose assistance we gratefully acknowledge, to make inquiries as to the practice at some of the medical schools and append the information obtained.

We only desire to add that if the Inns of Court accept our main recommendation and admit women as members, we assume that each Inn will give substantially the same facilities to women to enter the Society and will extend to them, when members, substantially the same treatment. We have framed our recommendations upon that basis and have no doubt that such an understanding between the different Societies will be loyally carried into effect. [*pp.* 555-560]

The Report was also adopted by the other three Inns. [*p.* 560]

"A communication from the Misses Mary and Charlotte Thorpe submitting for purchase by the Society a biographical work just completed entitled 'Lincoln's Inn Men' was referred to the Library Committee." [*p.* 566]

Adjourned Council held on December 16th, 1919. [p. 567]

Forty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

John Eustace Harman

Francis William Pember, Warden of All Souls' College, Oxford, (Honorary).

"Read a communication from Mrs G.M. Thomson relative to her application for Admission as a Student. Ordered that the application stand over until the Act is passed and that Mrs Thomson be so informed.¹" [p. 568]

"Ordered ... that a small committee be appointed to deal with the questions to arise on applications from Women." [p. 569]

Read and approved a resolution of the Council of Legal Education passed at its meeting held on 1st December 1919 that the age limit for a Prize or Studentship be raised from 25 to 30 for the next three years. [p. 569]

Ordered that it be referred to a Committee to consider and report whether it is expedient to make any and what change in the existing method of the annual election of the Treasurer. [p. 570]

Ordered that it be referred to the Finance Committee to consider and report to the next Council, if any and if so what change should be made in the amount of fine paid on call to the Bench of this Inn.

Read a communication from Mr. Steggall as to the system of providing boys for the choir referred by the Chapel Committee to the Council upon which no order was made and [also] the following communication dated November 2nd, 1919 and addressed to Mr. Steggall as to the retirement of Mr. Thomas Powell from the Choir.

"... I feel the time has come when after 52 years active choir work I must relinquish my position in the Choir of Lincoln's Inn and I will ask you please to place my resignation before the Choir Committee and I shall be very glad if you can conveniently arrange to release me at the close of the present term. I shall however be quite willing to carry on for a few more Sundays if the necessity should arise.

"I need scarcely tell you that I have come to this decision with considerable reluctance but I find that my work is so increasingly heavy during the week that the need for rest on Sunday becomes more and more pressing upon me. I shall always look back with pride and pleasure upon the 25 years service at Lincoln's Inn and shall hope to see you occasionally and possibly I may sometimes be able to help in the choir." [pp. 570, 571]

Read the following communication dated 6th December from Col. Errington.

"The Trophies Committee are presenting to the Inns of Court O.T.C. a German Field Gun. We should be greatly obliged if the Benchers will give us permission to place it in the Gardens at a suitable spot. We

¹ See introduction, *ante*, pp. 7-9 for the course and outcome of Mrs. Thomson's application.

propose placing on it an inscription commemorative of the services of the Corps during the War." [p. 572]

"Ordered that there be two Grand Days only next year (1920) one in Trinity Term and one on Michaelmas Term." [p. 572]

"Ordered that luncheon be served in the Hall after the delivery of the Warburton Lectures in the Chapel." [p. 572]

Treasurer: Viscount Haldane

The following Benchers died during the year

1. February 12 Aldred William Rowden, K.C.
2. October 5 Sir Charles E.H. Chadwyck-Healey, Bt., K.C.B., K.C.
3. November 2 Richard Horton-Smith, K.C.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. J.H. Cunliffe, K.C.
2. R.B. Lawrence, K.C.
3. J.E. Harman

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Council held on January 12th, 1920. [p. 573]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"Ordered that it be referred to the Joint Committee of the Four Inns on the terms and conditions on which women shall be admitted to the Inns of Court and called to the Bar, to consider the question as to what amendments if any are desirable in the Consolidated Regulations with reference to disqualifications generally."¹ [p. 576]

Read the report of the Finance Committee recommending that the fine on Call to the Bench be increased to £150. Ordered that the fine on Call to the Bench be £105 in future. [p. 577]

Ordered that Francis William Pember lately elected an Honorary Bencher take precedence at the Bench Table immediately after Mr. Lewis Thomas K.C. [p. 577]

Council held on January 30th, 1920. [p. 581]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Gray's Inn:—

"Upon reading [the order of Lincoln's Inn of 12th January 1920] Ordered that the question raised by the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn be

¹ At the next meeting this reference was changed.

referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties Interests and Discipline of the Bar"

Ordered that a similar order be made to that made by Gray's Inn. [*pp.* 584, 585]

Read the following communication from the Middle Temple advising that on January 22nd, 1920, that Bench had ordered

"that the following recommendation be forwarded to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar—that the following words be added to Rule 13 of the Consolidated Regulations:

A woman student who is a member, or a certificated student of Girton or Newnham College at Cambridge or Lady Margaret Hall or Somerville, St. Hugh's or St. Hilda's College at Oxford, may keep terms by dining in the Hall of her Inn of Court on any three days in each term"

Ordered that a similar order be made on behalf of this Inn. [*p.* 585]

Read the following communication from the Steward of Gray's Inn, dated January 16th, 1920.

"The Benchers of Gray's Inn have observed that a great deal of misleading information is appearing in the public press on the subject of the terms and conditions on which women are being admitted to the Inns of Court. They have no doubt that these inaccuracies will continue so long as the subject remains of public interest unless some authoritative announcement is made. My Bench therefore propose, unless your Bench see some objection, to prepare a statement extracted from the Report of the Special Joint Committee which will be given to the Press stating the terms and conditions on which women are now admitted to the Inns of Court and called to the Bar. The statement would not deal with questions arising after call to the Bar. I need hardly say that no reference would be made to any particular Inn of Court, but it is proposed that the statement should include an allusion to the fact that all the Inns of Court had dealt with this matter in anticipation of the Act of Parliament, so disposing of the suggestion that it was only under compulsion that the Inns admitted women to the profession.

"May I ask you to be good enough to inform me whether the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn see any objection to the step proposed."

"Ordered that a reply be sent to Gray's Inn that this Bench see no sufficient reason for the publication of such a statement but express a hope that if the Bench of Gray's Inn still propose to publish such a statement they will give the Benchers of the Other Inns or Lord Justice Atkin's Committee an opportunity of considering its terms before publication." [*pp.* 590, 591]

Read and adopted the following report of the Special Committee on the mode of election of Treasurer. The report recommended a change in the existing method of election and proposed that the following standing order be made for that purpose.

"That notwithstanding any subsisting standing order, in Michaelmas Term one of the Benchers who had not served in the Office of Treasurer but has within the last three preceding years held or then holds any of the following offices in the Society, namely Master of the Library, Dean of the Chapel, Keeper of the Black Books and Master of the Walks be chosen by ballot to be Treasurer for the ensuing year: such ballot to be taken in manner for the time being in force for election of Benchers." [p. 591]

Read the following report of the Committee on the War Memorial.

"The War Memorial Committee have arrived at a stage where it is necessary to report progress to the Council and to obtain guidance for their further proceedings.

"They have been fortunate in obtaining from Mr. Simpson, the Society's Architect, a model which (with some modification of detail) they confidently recommend for the approval of the Bench. There is a central block in cenotaph form, on the face of which a bronze tablet is fixed containing in two columns the names of the Members of the Inn who have laid down their lives in the War: on each side, connected by a seat and a balustrade, is a minor block, with a bronze tablet having on it the names of others who have perished being sons of Members of the Inn. In this way a combined memorial is obtained, while a distinction is marked between the private offering and the monument of the Society itself.

"On the question of site the Committee are no less unanimous although they have met with considerable difficulty. The configuration of Lincoln's Inn makes it almost impossible to find a spot which gives directly upon any one essential or characteristic line, and they have come to the conclusion on the whole that the best place for the monument is on the plot in Old Square north of the Chapel. It is a reposeful and dignified spot, and at the same time one which is passed by more of those who frequent the Inn, from whichever side they approach, than perhaps any other.

"These two main recommendations of the Committee are intimately related to one another. The model is designed in character and proportion with reference to the site in Old Square, and although the same general idea might be realized in some other position, it would certainly have to be essentially revised with regard to the different surroundings which would present themselves.

"The Committee are prepared to carry out any instructions which the Council think fit to give, but they respectfully hope that the Council will accept their view that the inseparable considerations of design and site are most happily met in the conclusion to which they have arrived.

"The model is ready to be placed on view."

The Report was referred back to the Committee on the question of site and inscription with a special recommendation to the Committee to consider the site suggested by the Committee. The proposed design approved. [pp. 591, 592]

Adjourned Council held on February 24th, 1920 [p. 593]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Read a report from the Society's Solicitor on the hearing of the appeal on 5th February 1920 of Mir Anwarruddin from his disbarment by the Benchers of the Inn.¹ The Lord Chancellor presided, sitting with four judges of the High Court. Sir Claud Schuster was in attendance. The appeal was dismissed without calling on counsel for the Benchers. [p. 596]

Read and adopted the following report of the Library Committee

"Upon consideration of Miss Charlotte Thorpe's letter offering her manuscript entitled 'Lincoln's Inn Men' together with the coloured drawings of windows in the Chapel and charts for the sum of £300. It was recommended that the proposal of Miss Thorpe be not entertained by the Bench." [p. 597]

The statement by the Master of the Library as to arrangements consequent on Mr. Etheridge's illness was approved.

Read the following communication from the American University in Europe, dated February 10th, 1920.

"The organisation I represent . . . and the United States Bureau of Education have requested that this office prepare a pamphlet on facilities for advanced study and research for American graduate students visiting Great Britain. I would be very glad to make reference to the facilities for such students which might be open in your Inn and to give a list of the subjects and conditions of admission to the lectures for students of law already B.A. from the best American University. In particular if the library of your Inn might be made accessible for, say, half a dozen advanced students, it would be a privilege which would be much appreciated. I enclose copies of a questionnaire which has been circulated among the heads of the British Universities. If convenient it would be helpful if one of these blanks could be filled in for your Inn. More copies can be sent out if desired.

"Ordered that a courteous letter be sent expressing the desire of the Inn to help so far as they conveniently can and to ask for further information." [pp. 597, 598]

"Read a communication from the Central Bureau for the Employment of Women asking permission for a party of 15 students to visit the Inn on a day to be fixed. [Permission] was granted." [p. 598]

Adjourned Council held on March 23rd, 1920. [p. 599]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

A petition by Abdul Hamid for re-instatement as a student was rejected.² [p. 601]

¹ See *ante*, pp. 133-135.

² See *ante*, p. 113, and note.

Read the Report of the Council of Legal Education dated March 9th, 1920, from which the following extracts under the heading *The War and Legal Education* are taken.

"This paragraph appears, it is hoped, for the last time in the Council's Report. The number of Students attending Lectures and entering for the Bar Examinations has greatly increased during the past year, as appears from the tabular statements appended to this Report. The increase was progressive, and was most marked during the last quarter.

"Members of the Colonial and American Expeditionary Forces in this Country who desired instruction in Law during their sojourn here were allowed, it may be remembered, to attend the Council's Lectures free of charge, and a large number came. In fact, the accommodation in the Lecture Rooms was found not sufficient, and the Hon. Society of Lincoln's Inn kindly placed the Old Hall at the disposal of the Council during Trinity Educational Term. It may be mentioned that the Students assigned to the Inns of Court by the American Army Educational Commission, also organised, with the permission of the Council, a course of Vacation Lectures, which were delivered by the Readers and Assistant Readers of the Council in the Old Hall of Lincoln's Inn between 18th March and 11th April, and were attended by at least 200 American and Colonial Students." [pp. 601, 602]

"The Motion of J. Eustace Harman, Esq., that the matter of the War Memorial be referred back to the Committee for further consideration was rejected.

"Ordered that the matter be referred back to the Committee on question of site, notwithstanding voting." [p. 611]

Read the following letter from Miss Charlotte Thorpe, dated March 4th, 1920.

"We regret your decision with regard to the ms. 'Lincoln's Inn Men' as we always worked with the object that eventually it would be in your possession, to whom, I suppose, it should be of more interest than to any other persons. I am therefore writing to say that if it is a matter of our placing too high a value on it, we would certainly meet you in this respect." [p. 611]

"Read the Steward's Report of the death of George Gale formerly the Night Watch Master of the Society and lately a Pensioner." [p. 611]

"The application from the St. Paul's Ecclesiological Society for a party to be allowed to visit the Inn on the 17th April at 2.30 under the guidance of Mr. Paley Baildon¹ was granted." [p. 612]

¹ Editor, printed Black Books Vols. 1-4.

Council held on April 13th, 1920. [p. 613]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read and adopted the following report of the War Memorial Committee.

Site of the War Memorial

The Committee met on March 29; all but one being present. They resolved to treat the question as *res integra*, in the light of the observations and suggestions which they had had the advantage of hearing at two Councils and other informal occasions. The Architect not being able to attend personally, had, at the Committee's request prepared a memorandum; but it was not opened until after the main question had been answered.

Several sites were considered:

- I. The site on Old Square, north of the Chapel.
- II. Sites in New Square gardens
 - (a) in place of or behind Brewster Gate
 - (b) on the front of one of the other three sides.
- III. Sites in the garden between the Hall and the Chapel
 - (a) on the plot between the path and the Chapel facing south
 - (b) on the plot between the path and the Terrace facing south
 - (c) on the plot between the path and the Terrace facing east.
- IV. Sites on the Terrace
 - (a) At the head of the steps at the southern end
 - (b) in the middle of the Terrace facing east.
- V. Sites in the garden west of Stone Buildings
 - (a) at the north end of the avenue
 - (b) in the middle of the lawn.

Of these the Committee considered that I (which they had originally recommended) had been definitely rejected by the Council; that IV(a and b) were so close to the Hall that the design of the memorial would have to be both on a very large scale and subordinated in style to the main building; and that V(a and b) were altogether too much out of the way and might savour rather of an *oubliette* than of a memorial. With regard to II(b) neither the south nor the west side to the garden seemed appropriate, but there would be a favourable site in the middle of the east side where many members pass daily. The Brewster Gate appealed very strongly to the Committee; it may be called the obvious site, and would only be rejected if there were insurmountable objections; such as (1) that in so spacious a place the monument would have to be very large and costly (2) that in face of the Hall it would be seriously affected both as to design and scale (3) that the removal of the Brewster Gates presents a serious problem in itself (4) that the soil of the garden is not absolutely at the disposal of the Inn (5) that there are artistic and structural objections to such a monument, inscribed with names facing north (6) that there are on the site two pumps which may appear trivial but is not a negligible preoccupation. The three sites III(a b and c) all have

much to be said for them and not very much by way of preference for any one. They are peaceful and yet not obscure; they are near the highway though not actually upon it; the monument would be independent both in style and scale, and would harmonize with the surroundings even if modest in size. On the whole (a) seemed to possess these merits in the highest degree and to have two additional advantages viz. that the memorial would look down the eastern road of New Square, and that the space is one which seems to demand completion by some object.

The Committee resolved unanimously to recommend III(a) as the site for a War memorial.

Mr. Simpson's memorandum was afterwards opened and read. It certainly strengthens considerably the conclusions at which the Committee had arrived... " [pp. 614-616]

"Ordered that there be dinners for Benchers on Saturdays and Sundays—hour to be fixed by the Kitchen Committee." [p. 617]

Read the Report, dated March 17th, 1920, of the Special Committee appointed to consider the petition of Students for a Common Room, from which the following extracts are taken.

At present there are about 400 students on the books of the Society of whom 275 are Home Students and 125 are Overseas Students. About 150 of these students (viz. 100 Home and 50 Overseas) Students are keeping terms.

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"The only reason for desiring to have a Common Room put forward in the Petition and at our meeting on the 17th February 1920 was that the students of this Society might have a place within the precincts of the Inn where

(a) they could find shelter in the interval of waiting between lectures and during the dining term in the interval between the last lecture and dinner, and

(b) they could get afternoon tea

The Petition states that all the other Inns of Court provide Common Rooms to which the students can go. We have ascertained that this statement is true in fact and we have personally investigated the conditions prevailing in the other Inns with regard to their Common Rooms.

The result of this investigation has convinced us that the other Inns (with the exception of the Inner Temple where the overseas students form a negligible minority) have experienced the same difficulties as those with which Lincoln's Inn had to contend at their Common Rooms in No. 7 Stone Buildings before the students were excluded from those Common Rooms in 1912.

There are two matters which lie at the root of the difficulty. The first of these is that when an appreciable number of each set of students (Home

and Overseas) is in the habit of resorting to the same room or rooms the sets do not intermix socially.

The Home Students are not entirely to blame for this result which is brought about mainly by a mutual distaste of each set for the habits of the other and by an inborn instinct of members of the same race (when they have the opportunity) to associate with one another rather than with members of another race.

This separation between home and overseas students was experienced in Lincoln's Inn Common Room in a marked degree where the Overseas Students were always found at one end of the large room which in the end was monopolised by them, ...

The second matter is that the Overseas Student mostly live in more or less humble lodgings and therefore make the Common Room their home for the day—thus getting a sitting room with heating, lighting and attendance free. Such excessive user soon becomes distasteful to those Home Students who only desire to use the Common Room in a legitimate way with the result that they either cease using the Common Room or if space permits only resort to some room where the Overseas Students are not "living".

We are convinced that the Society will suffer again as it has suffered in the past by providing a daytime home for Students—a thing which we suggest is outside the functions of the Inn.

The result when the Overseas Students found that they had such a home at the present Common Rooms was to attract to this Society an undue proportion of the Overseas Students, in consequence of which Home Students became shy of joining the Society and went to the other Inns. For some time prior to 1914 the proportion had reached the startling figure of 5 Overseas Students to 1 Home Student.

The Overseas Students leave the country directly they are called to the Bar. The Society therefore suffers by the absence of Home Students who in due course become barristers practising in England and eventually qualified to become Benchers and take their part in the government of the Inn.

The question therefore of providing a Common Room for Students is a question of grave importance to the welfare of the Inn and is one which ought to be seriously considered by the Council.

Since 1912 the students have had no Common Room and we think that this has had a beneficial result in reducing the number of Overseas Students coming to this Inn. ...

Save on the score of expense there cannot of course be the slightest objection to the Society providing a Common Room for its students, if only it could be made certain that such Common Room would be used as a Common Room and not as a home for the Overseas Students.

The problem which presents itself is one of great difficulty as it is practically impossible to frame rules to guard effectively against such excessive user.

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Bearing all those considerations in mind (and remembering the only reasons urged by the students for having a Common Room) we consider that if a common Room for students is to be opened the following essential provisions should be contained in the Regulations governing the use of such Common Room.

1. The hours during which the Common Room should be open should be 11 to 6.45 in dining term and 11 to 6 out of dining term. The Rooms should be closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

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3. No stationery should be provided and no letters should be allowed to be addressed from or to be received at the Common Room.

N.B. The Inner Temple has this provision. It is an important one as the nuisance of Overseas Students obtaining credit on the strength of their address is considerable and the serving of writs and enquiries by debt collecting agents and by the police at the Common Rooms is undesirable.

4. No visitors and no cards or other games of chance should be allowed.

If the Bench determine in favour of a Common Room being provided the only available site for such a Room in the Inn is the vacant set of Chambers in the basement of No. 8 Stone Buildings....

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"It was Ordered that: The Bench resolves that a Common Room be established, subject to regulations to be drawn up by the Special Committee and screened in the Common Room—the same Committee to report upon the present practice relating to the Admission of Students to this Inn and to make recommendations as to any improvement in such practice." [pp. 617-622]

Read and adopted the following Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the suggestion of the Master of the Walks as to the Gardens in New Square.

"Your Committee have considered the question of opening the New Square Gardens for the use of Members of the Inn and others who may have a right to use it. They have however found that the proposal meets with considerable opposition. In the opinion of the majority of your Committee this opposition is not well-founded; but they feel that the benefits to be obtained by opening the garden are comparatively trifling and in the face of the objections raised by residents in New Square who consider their quiet may be invaded, your Committee do not consider they ought to recommend any alteration in the existing method of dealing with the garden." [p. 622]

BOOK XLIV

Council held on May 10th, 1920. [p. 1]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

It was resolved that a Committee be appointed to enquire and report whether any and what change is desirable in the administration of the affairs of the Inn and particularly in the terms of appointment, duties and qualifications of the Steward or other principal officer. [p. 4. Seven Benchers were appointed to the Committee]

Ordered that the hour for dinners on Sundays in Term Time be 7 p.m. [p. 5]

The list of Guests to be invited to dine at the Bench Table on Grand day in Trinity Term was settled, the day fixed was Tuesday 8th June.

Read the following communication dated April 17th, 1920, from the Town Clerk of the Holborn Borough Council.

"I am requested by the Works and General Purposes Committee of this Council to say that they have at their disposal several German Guns and Howitzers presented by the Government, for which they desire to obtain suitable positions. Before making a definite recommendation the Committee would be glad to know whether any of these trophies would be acceptable to the Benchers for placing on one of the open spaces of the Inn..."

Ordered that the offer be declined with thanks as the Society have enough guns already. [p. 6]

An application from the Amateur Fencing Association to be allowed to hold a series of fencing pools in order to train the British Competitors at the forthcoming Olympic Games and to hold the Amateur Epee Championship in July in the Gardens of the Society was granted. [p. 6]

Council held on June 1st, 1920. [p. 8]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Ordered that a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. J.E. Mitchell O.B.E. for a draft Trust Deed relating to a fund he proposes to establish for the benefit of Barristers of the Inner Temple, Lincoln's Inn and Gray's Inn. [p. 10]

Read the following recommendation to the Finance Committee made upon reading a communication from the Middle Temple.

That the Bench appoint a small Committee to co-operate with the other Inns of Court to consider all questions arising on the Rent Restriction Bill in conjunction with the Universities, and that such Members of the Bench as are Members of Parliament be requested to act on that Committee.

Ordered that Lord Muir Mackenzie, Lord Justice Warrington, Sir John Butcher, Mr. Norton and Mr. Greig be members of a committee to consider and report to Council. [*p.* 10]

Read the following report of the Administration Committee, dated June 1st, 1920.

"Very early in their deliberations the Committee found themselves so entirely in accord with the motive of the Council's reference to them as well as of one mind on the substance of the case, that they thought it unnecessary to take evidence or examine witnesses.

"The whole question of the administration of the Society's affairs—at the present stage at any rate—is concerned with the office of Steward upon whom the Society has to depend from day to day for the practical conduct of its business, for its financial operations, and even for its character and reputation in its detailed relations with the Members and persons desirous of becoming Members of the Inn, with the tenants and with the officials and servants.

"It is clear that the time has come when there must be a change of Steward. The Economy Committee indicated a view in that direction some time ago,¹ but no action was taken. It is not necessary to expatiate upon the point: it is sufficient to say, in the first place, that the present Steward is in his 75th year (having long surpassed the extremest age for retirement in any part of the Public Services) and, it is only prudent, both for the Society and for himself, to take in hand preparations for the immediate future: in the next place, that there are essential points embodied in the recommendations which the Committee have to make regarding the Steward's office and qualifications which could not be made good except on occasion of a personal change.

"The Committee in advising that the present Steward should retire have no doubt that the Society would wish to act with the utmost consideration towards one who has been in their service for 35 years and they recommend accordingly that he should be given a full six months notice on or before 30th June expiring on 31st December and receive a pension equal to two thirds of his salary. His salary has stood for some years at £1050 p.a. all told and the proposed pension would be £700 p.a....

"The Committee are aware that the Benchers view with no little concern the falling off in numbers of British students resorting to the Inn, and they look to the Steward's office to play an important part in restoring

¹ Final Report, para. 37, see Appendix 1(c).

the Society to the high position which it has hitherto occupied. The steward should be in touch with the Universities from which the Bar seeks its best recruits, and should also be in friendly relations with the Students after they have become Members of the Inn. He should be not only accessible to the Barristers of the Society but in daily intercourse with them and in practical sympathy with their requirements. So also as regards the Benchers, the relations between them and their principal officer and advisor should be on an equal and friendly basis with ready and frequent meeting. At the same time the practical and detailed business of the Society must have no less attention than hitherto: the Steward must be a man with knowledge and experience in the management of finance, of house property and a large establishment of servants. A change in the character of this office might prove both costly and weak if he has not that capacity for personal care of building contracts, catering, duties of servants, and sanitary arrangements the lack of which would lead to improvidence and over charges and ultimately make it necessary to employ additional assistants in such work as that of solicitor, rent collector, surveyor and even steward; There may be some risk of creating a sort of Mayor of the Palace, which ought certainly to be guarded against. It is not desired to relieve the Treasurer, the Officers and the Committees of their interests and responsibilities: on the contrary, the Committee feel bound to urge on the Council that systematic attendance by Officers and Members of the different Committees is at least as essential as any enhancement of the Steward's importance. The Committee think it worthy of consideration whether, when the various Committees are appointed in each year, the members should not be asked whether they will be able to undertake regular duty. Such a combination of qualities as the Committee have indicated is no doubt to be found, but not many men possess it in so high a degree as appears to be called for by the present demands of Lincoln's Inn. The Committee recommend the appointment of a gentleman to be Under Treasurer and Steward of the Society, and to be charged with all the duties and responsibilities attached to the present stewardship (including the Secretariat to the Committee of Proprietors of New Square) and such other functions as may from time to time be assigned to him. Besides attending all Committees he should ordinarily be present at all Councils and be responsible for transferring to the Black Book the minutes of the Council as noted by the Master on the Order of the Day. It is suggested that the entries in the Black Books should be certified by the Master and that the minutes should be read at the sitting of each Council.

"The Committee advise that the Under Treasurer should be a university man, with such capacity and experience as has been above described; a barrister, if otherwise qualified, but not of necessity: perhaps, all other things being equal, a Member of the Inn. In age he be at the time of appointment not younger than 30 nor older than 45. The Committee think that a place might be assigned to the Under Treasurer at the Bar

Table in Hall (say at the 3rd mess) with dinner free, and that he should be a member of the common room and be entitled to lunch in the Bar Luncheon Room. These privileges would give the Under Treasurer an assured position in the Society and promote the interchange of good feeling and information between the authorities and the Members. On the whole the Committee deprecate the suggestion that the office of Under Treasurer should be held by one of the Benchers, or that he should have a place amongst the Benchers either in Hall or at Luncheon. So long as there is a distinction between the Benchers and other Members of the Inn, it has to be recognised in the case of the Under Treasurer, who might otherwise be in a somewhat false position both towards the Bench and towards the Bar.

"The Committee recommend as an adequate initial salary £600 p.a., that he should be resident with rooms in the Inn free of rent rates and taxes (which represents at least another £150 p.a.) that his whole time should be at the service of the Society, and that his tenure should be at their pleasure. Leave of absence should be arranged during the legal vacations having regard to any works which may be going on at the Inn.

"The Committee have only to add a suggestion that the Council might appoint a small committee of selection with power of advertisement or otherwise to find a suitable man for the new office, and to recommend him to the Council for appointment as Under Treasurer and Steward on 1st January 1921."

Lord Muir Mackenzie, the Chairman of the Administration Committee read the following letter, dated May 20th, 1920, which he had received from the Steward.

"I am of course aware that one of the points to be considered by the Committee sitting on the question of the administration of the Inn must be that of the Stewardship. I recognise that at my age I could not hope to continue for long to hold that post. In the interests of the Society and with the greatest personal regret I now place my resignation in the hands of the Committee. My long service with the Society has been a very pleasant one and I would like to assure the Committee that I will use my best efforts to induct my successor in his office."

The Council resolved unanimously to accept the Steward's resignation on the terms mentioned in the Report as to his retirement, and requested Lord Muir Mackenzie to convey to him the expression of their appreciation both of his long and faithful service and of the manner in which he had met their wishes in regard to his office and made the following Order viz:—

Report read and adopted except that the pension be £750 instead of £700. Lord Muir Mackenzie requested to communicate the report to the Steward. Committee to be re-appointed with [two additions] (a) as the committee of selection recommended (b) to consider and report on any matter concerning the administration of the Inn and the admission of students. Power to appoint sub-committees." [pp. 10-15]

Read the following communication from F.H.L. Errington, C.B.

"At a meeting two or three months ago, the Council sanctioned the placing of a gun presented to the Inns of Court O.T.C. by the War Trophies Committee in the Gardens as a memorial to the Corps, and I was authorised to select the site. We should like to place the gun (a German Howitzer) mounted on a stone platform some three feet high with a suitable inscription in the Garden of New Square immediately behind the Brewster Gates. Perhaps you will place this letter on the Agenda for the next Council Meeting in order that this proposal may obtain the direct sanction of the Bench: and I should also be much obliged if you will bring the matter before the Committee of Proprietors ... of New Square, whom of course we should wish to consult." [pp. 15, 16]

The offer by E. FitzGibbon Esq. K.C. of a mezzotint engraving of a portrait of the late Lord Justice FitzGibbon was accepted with thanks. [p. 16]

Ordered the Library Committee be authorised to buy the mss. Year Book now at the Record Office at a reasonable sum if offered by the owner." [p. 16]

Council held on June 21st, 1920. [p. 20]

Fourteen Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Cyril Atkinson, K.C. [pp. 16, 21]

Read and adopted the report of the Finance Committee to the effect that they had increased the salaries of the following officers and servants 10% on those of Christmas 1919 as follows:

		£	to	£
J.A. Clark	1st clerk	450		495
F.W. Corn	2nd clerk	380		418
N.Y. Marriott	3rd clerk	300		330
H.I. Whitaker	Asst. librarian	360		396
H.F.C. Suter	Sub-librarian	360		396
T. Hodgkinson	Jr. asst. librarian	240		264
F. Romain	1st butler	208		228.16/-
W. Aldridge	Gardener	£2.7.6 per week to £2.17.6 per week		
10 supernumerary porters		£2 per week to £2.10/- per week		
(including Ward and Gale)"				

[p. 22]

A request from the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Bankes that the Boys of the Inns of Court Mission may be allowed to train for running in the Sports on the road surrounding New Square in the evenings after the Inn Gates are closed was granted—The permission may be withdrawn if complaints of annoyance are made by tenants of Chambers. [p. 23]

Council held on July 20th, 1920. [p. 24]

Forty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

William Michael Spence. [*pp.* 21, 28]

"The application from the Council of Legal Education for the use of the Old Hall for a special course of six evening lectures by Mr. H.H. Slessor, on the Law of Trades Unions to be delivered next Michaelmas Term was granted." [*p.* 27]

Read and adopted the following resolution of the Library Committee:

"That in the opinion of this Committee smoking and the striking of lights ought not in any circumstances to be allowed in the Library." [*p.* 28]

Read and approved the report of the Finance Committee on the resignation of the Second Butler, recommending that he be given a pension of £2 a week. [*p.* 28]

Read and approved the following report of the War Memorial Committee:

"That estimates of the work had been received and tenders sent in; and that, although they were greatly in excess of what had been anticipated the Committee had accepted the lowest tender and directed Mr. Simpson to proceed with the work." [*p.* 28]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1920. [p. 30]

Forty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Bryan Farrer [*pp.* 29, 40]

"An invitation to the Bench consequent upon the death of the Rt. Hon. Lord Cozens-Hardy was postponed. A committee consisting of Mr. Lewis Thomas, K.C., Mr. Sheldon and Mr. Tomlin, K.C. was appointed to inquire into the rules and practice." [*pp.* 29, 35]

Read and adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

1. that they have received and have accepted the resignation of the Usher of the Hall who has for some time been in bad health.
2. that upon the application of James William Winter the late upper vestibule porter they have appointed him Usher of the Hall as from 29th September.
3. that upon the application of Bernard William Carpenter the late vestibule porter, they have appointed him the Bar Butler as from the 29th September.
4. that upon the 20th July 1920 the Committee appointed James Clift to be Second Butler in the place of James Hutchins retired. [*pp.* 34, 35]

Read the following report of the Administration Committee as to the Stewardship.

"The Committee approved the proceedings which had been taken by the Chairman and interviewed eight candidates ...

"The Committee unanimously agreed that Mr. Rowe and Mr. Nutter, notwithstanding their age (52 and 50) stood out above the other candidates. On a division six were in favour of Mr. Rowe and four for Mr. Nutter. The Committee therefore report in favour of Mr. Rowe, but resolved unanimously to place both names before the Council."

The Council adopted the report and elected Mr. R.P.P. Rowe. [*pp.* 40, 41]

Ordered that the Students Common Room be now opened for use. [*p.* 41]

The list of guests for Grand day in Michaelmas Term was settled. [*p.* 41]

Council held on November 2nd, 1920. [*p.* 42]

Forty Benchers present.

Read a communication from the India Office, dated October 4th, 1920, which included the following extracts.

"With reference to previous correspondence ... regarding the certificate referred to in Section (IV) of paragraph 2 of the Consolidated Regulations of the Inns of Court, I am directed to inform you that with effect from the first instant the Department which deals with matters concerning Indian Students in the United Kingdom, has been transferred from the control of the Secretary of State for India to that of the High Commissioner for India. In consequence of this transfer the post of Educational Adviser for Indian Students to the Secretary of State for India has been abolished, and it will therefore no longer be possible for Indian Students applying for admission to the Inns of Court, to furnish a certificate signed by that officer. I am to enquire whether the Council of Legal Education will in future accept from Indian Students a Certificate in the form hitherto in use, but signed by an Officer designated as Joint Secretary to the High Commissioner for Indian Students work ... No alteration will be made in the procedure previously followed regarding the grant of these certificates. ...

"Resolved that the India Office be informed that the matter is being dealt with by the Council of Legal Education and that the Bench will not interfere meanwhile." [*pp.* 45, 46]

"Read the following report of the Committee appointed to inquire into the rules and practice relative to the invitation to the Bench.

"Under Rule 4 of the Rules for election any K.C. who was not at the date of his Call within the Bar in actual practice is not eligible for invitation to the Bench unless the Rule be dispensed with under the power given by the Rule. In one case in 1907 the Rule appears to have been departed from without any record of a dispensation.

"Since 1907 it has not been the practice to treat as eligible for invitation to the Bench any K.C. who though in practice at the date of his being called

within the Bar had subsequently before the date when his invitation would in ordinary course have been considered, ceased to practice.¹

"There have been at least 4 cases since 1906 in which the practice has been observed. The only exception appears to have been the case of Mr. Roger Bernard Laurence who having been treated as ineligible in 1918 because since his call within the Bar in 1913 he had become Registrar of the Palatine Court of Lancaster, was after his appointment as Vice-Chancellor of that Court, invited in 1919 to the Bench.

"There is no information available to indicate whether there was before 1907 any and what practice with respect to the invitation of members of the Inner Bar who having been in practice when called within the Bar had ceased to practice before the invitation came up for consideration.

"The invitation to the Bench from the Inner Bar consequent upon the death of the Right Honourable Lord Cozens-Hardy was postponed." [p. 47]

Read the following reference from the Building Committee:

"Upon reading a communication from the Territorial Force Association offering a rent of £200 a year for the Drill Hall in Stone Buildings which they have hitherto occupied under an agreement between the Society and Col. Lofthouse at a rent of £50 per annum.

"The Committee resolved to refer the matter to the Council to determine whether the Drill Hall be let to the Association at a rent substantially less than the rent that could reasonably be obtained in the open market.

"Ordered that it be referred back to the Building Committee to consider what under all the circumstances including a consideration of what the other Inns do for the benefit of the O.T.C. would be a fair rent." [p. 48]

"Resolved that the Masters of the Bench having heard with sympathy the statement of Mr. Alexander as to his reasons for withdrawing his name from consideration in the Election of Treasurer hope that his health may soon be fully restored." [p. 48]

Officers for 1921. [pp. 48, 49]

Treasurer: Sir Alfred Hopkinson, K.C.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Warrington

Dean of the Chapel: His Honour Judge Stanger, K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Eve

Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence

Ordered that a small Committee be appointed to consider and report on the hanging of the portraits, engravings and photographs in the Hall, Council and Drawing Room. Five Benchers were appointed to serve on it. [p. 50]

¹ This appears to refer to the election of Thomas Erskine Holland, K.C., then Chichele Professor of International Law and Diplomacy in the University of Oxford: see 5BB.369.

Read the following communication, dated September 23rd, 1920, from Mr. Justice Riddell, Toronto:—

"William Osgoode who was called to the Bar of Lincoln's Inn in 1779 and who became the first Chief Justice of the Province of Upper Canada, wrote, shortly after his Call in 1779, a work entitled 'Remarks on the Law of Descent, etc. etc.' Curiously enough, although the seat of the Courts of Justice of the Province is called Osgoode Hall, and although Osgoode was for two years Chief Justice, no copy of the work is to be found in Canada. Attempts by the Librarian of the Law Society of Upper Canada to obtain a copy have been unsuccessful.

"Mr. Justice Riddell suggests that if your Library has more than one copy you would be willing to dispose of it. If you have but one copy would you be so kind as to send a description of the volume together with an exact copy of the title page.

"Mr. Justice Riddell has no hesitation in asking such favours from brothers of their common profession."

The communication was referred to the Library Committee. [p. 51]

Council held on November 23rd, 1920. [p. 57]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Douglas McGarel Hogg, K.C. [pp. 29, 35, 47, 63]

Council adopted a recommendation from the Finance Committee that champagne be not provided except on Grand nights. [pp. 63, 64]

Ordered that a note be appended to the Rota (provisional as well as final) that a Bencher is expected to attend on his night or produce a substitute. [p. 64]

Read and approved the following report of the Building Committee.

"The Building Committee beg to report that they have considered a communication from a Barrister of the Inner Temple asking whether in the event of his joining the Inn *ad eundem* he could depend upon having the succession to chambers in which he has been undertenant for some years at the existing rent instead of at the increased rent which as a non-member of the Inn he would have to pay. The Committee are of opinion that he should be informed that if he becomes a Member of this Inn he may depend upon having the succession to the chambers at the present rent.

N.B. At the Inner Temple a Barrister of another Inn is not admitted *ad eundem*." [p. 66]

The Steward reported on the death on Sunday October 31st, 1920, of the Librarian, Mr. A.F.G. Etheridge. The report was referred to the Library Committee to consider and report. [p. 66]

Read and approved the following recommendation of the Library Committee.

"On consideration of the communication from Mr. Justice Riddell, Toronto, relative to obtaining a copy of a book in the Library here of which the Society possesses three copies, referred by the Council to the Library Committee.

"The Library Committee has no objection to the copy bound up at the end of Vol. 202 of Law Pamphlets being carefully removed and presented to the Library of Osgoode Hall if the Council think fit." [p. 67]

Ordered that a cheque for £367.10/- be sent to Fiddes Watt, Esq., in payment for portrait of the Rt. Hon. Lord Buckmaster. [p. 67]

Adjourned Council held on December 14th, 1920. [p. 68]

Thirty Benchers present.

Read the following memorandum as to finance by the Steward.

[The first part records that the rents of the residential tenants either have been, or are in the process of being, increased by $33\frac{1}{3}$ per cent. It then turns to student deposits]

The amount of deposits made by Students is now £20,000. £10,000 has been received from Students on deposit from January 11th, 1920 to December 1st, 1920. It may be assumed that £4,000 will cover the repayment of deposits for the year 1921-22 as about 30 students only of those who have made deposits will be ready for Call to the Bar next year and that new depositors will provide considerably more than this sum, but after 1921-22 deposits cannot be relied upon to furnish the deficiency of income upon the present rate of expenditure and it will be necessary to increase the rents of Members holding professional Chambers in the Inn by 1/3rd producing an increased income of £3,000 a year.

In a report of December 6th, 1920 to the Finance Committee I suggested that the Society was now in a position to pay off £6172.10/- of Messrs. Child & Co's loan on War Stock.

In that earlier report the Steward stated that

The Society holds £100,014.13.4 War 5% Stock 1929/47. £27,550 of this stock was purchased for £26,172.10/- advanced by the Bank on a contra account (the stock now stands at about 83 worth £22,866). The Society has £2000 deposited with Messrs. Child & Co. at 5% and it is estimated that before the end of the current year i.e. January 10th, 1921, they will have a cash balance, including the before mentioned £2000, sufficient to meet all requirements and provide for working expenses and to pay off £6172.10/- of Messrs. Child & Co's loan.

The Finance Committee

"resolved to recommend to the Bench that the Bank loan be reduced by the sum of £6172.10/- to be taken from the current account so soon as that account justifies such transfer without any expectation that the Society may have to overdraw. The Committee also recommend to the Bench that

£3725.15.2 Canada 4 p.c. 1940/60 Registered stock be sold and the proceeds to the extent of £2500 applied in further reduction of the Bank loan."

which was approved and Ordered accordingly. [*pp.* 68–71, *passim*]

Read the following report of the Building Committee:—

"the Building Committee beg to report that they have considered the question of a fair rent to be paid by the I.C.O.T.C. (Territorial Force Association) for the Drill Hall in Stone Buildings referred to them by the Council. Col. Errington attended the Committee on two occasions and undertook to forward a proposal for a lease for 7 years at £500 a year which the Committee recommend should be adopted."

Council adopted the report and referred back to the Building Committee to settle details. [*p.* 75]

Read and adopted the report, dated November 22nd, 1920, of the Council of Legal Education concerning the Change of Officer to give certificates in respect of Indian students. The first paragraph of the report states:—

"The Council have considered the correspondence between the High Commissioner for India the Inns of Court and the Council with reference to the proposed amended certificate in paragraph 2, IV of the Consolidated Regulations. As far as the change in the officer certifying is concerned they regard this as a departmental change consequent upon changes in the India Office, and are satisfied from the correspondence that the proposed new officer ... will have precisely the same means of information as had the former [officer]. They attach great importance to the responsible officer pledging himself to the certificate and they would be opposed to the certificate being signed 'by or for' such officer, or to any understanding that his signature would not be required when absent on official business or otherwise." [*p.* 75 *et seq.*]

Upon the motion of Lord Muir Mackenzie that the question of having luncheons served in the Hall of the Society be now considered by the Bench, the matter was referred to the Kitchen and Buildings Committees for consideration and report. [*p.* 80]

Read the following petition from Barristers of the Society having reference to the user of the Refreshment Room in the Lower Vestibule:—

"Having regard to the increased numbers using the Refreshment Room and the consequent overcrowding of that room between the hours of 1 and 2 p.m., we, practising barristers of the Inn, respectfully request that a separate room be provided for Students or that Students be not admitted to the Refreshment Room until 2 p.m."

The petition bore twelve signatures, including H.S. Preston, C.J.W. Farwell, Fairfax Luxmoore, Douglas M. Hogg, E.S. Roscoe, Gavin T. Simonds and C. Stafford Crossman, was referred to the Kitchen and Building Committees for consideration and report. [*p.* 80]

"Ordered that the first Grand Day in 1921 be in Easter Term." [*p.* 80]

Lord Muir Mackenzie "called attention to the condition of the Fresco in the Hall and the matter was referred to the picture hanging Committee to obtain advice. The Committee was authorized to deal with the 6 pictures mentioned by Lord Justice Younger as suggested by Mr. Roller. Lord Justice Younger made a verbal report of the Committee which was adopted. Authority given to thank Mr. and Mrs. Stokes." [p. 80]

Read the following communication dated November 25th, 1920, from W. Paley Baildon, Esq.

"My friend Mr. William Henry Quarrell of 9 Brechin Place S.W.7 a former member of the Inn,¹ recently asked me if the Society had in its collection of engraved portraits one of Sir Rowland Wandesford, Attorney General of the Court of Wards, the donor of the Wandesford basin and ewer. On being told that the Society did not possess this print, Mr. Quarrell requested me to ascertain if you, Sir, and the Masters of the Bench would do him the honour of accepting a copy, which I have accordingly left at the Steward's office."

Ordered that the portrait be accepted and a letter of thanks be sent to Mr. Quarrell. [p. 81]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. H.H. Asquith, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. May 21 William Donaldson Rawlins, K.C.
2. May 30 Sir Henry Sutton
3. June 18 Lord Cozens-Hardy
4. June 24 James Douglas Walker, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Rawlins. b.1846. Mayor of Holborn 1906/07
4. Walker. b.1841. Writer of prefaces to Black Books, Vols. 1-4.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Cyril Atkinson, K.C.
2. William Michael Spence
3. Douglas McGarel Hogg, K.C.
4. Bryan Farrer

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Council held on January 11th, 1921. [p. 82]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"The Under Treasurer Mr. R.P.P. Rowe, was introduced by the Treasurer and made a short statement relative to his duties." [p. 82]

¹ Called 26 January 1885: 5BB.422.

"Ordered that Mr. Douglas Hogg as Junior Master of the Bench, attend at the completion of the annual audit of the Society's Accounts." [p. 84]

"Ordered that luncheon be served in Hall as usual after the Warburton Lecture on Sunday 16th January." [p. 84]

"Ordered that a joint meeting of the Kitchen and Building Committees be appointed to consider the question of luncheon in Hall." [p. 84]

"Lord Justice Younger reported the proceedings of the Picture Committee

"Resolved that the prints not required for the Vestibule be allocated, as recommended by the Picture Committee, to the Bar and Students Common Rooms. An offer by Mr. Underhill to provide an album for the photographs, which should lie in the Drawing Room, was accepted with thanks." [p. 85]

"Ordered that an estimate be obtained for the provision of additional panelling in the Council Room and that the matter be then re-considered. The question of the Fresco in the Hall to await Professor Laurie's Report." [p. 85]

"Ordered that there be a Grand Night in Easter Term and that the date be fixed by the Treasurer after consultation with the other Inns of Court." [p. 85]

"Resolved that on Guest Nights the number of guests of Masters of the Bench be not limited except that no Bencher may not *[sic]* bring more than one guest; that dinner on a Guest Night count as two dinners to each Bencher dining, that the charge for a Bencher's guest be henceforward £1., that champagne be provided at the Bench table on Guest Nights." [p. 85]

"The arrangements for the unveiling of the War Memorial were referred to the War Memorial Committee." [p. 85]

Council held on January 31st, 1921. [p. 90]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"The question was raised whether the minutes of the previous meeting should be read by the Under Treasurer. Resolved that they be taken as read." [p. 90]

A motion "that the Chairman of the Finance Committee be requested to resume and complete his statement to the Council upon the last year's accounts, and that the Finance Committee be requested to prepare and submit a brief summary of such accounts showing the Income and Expenditure of the year and generally the financial position of the Society" was carried. [p. 95]

"Lord Justice Younger reported the proceedings of the Picture Committee since the last meeting of Council:

"He reported that the proposal to add to the oak-panelling in the Council Room had been abandoned, that satisfactory progress had been made with regard to the varnishing of escutcheons in Hall and in other matters, and urged that the Picture Committee should continue in being until further notice."

The report was adopted. [p. 95]

The Under Treasurer read the following report of the Library Committee dated January 13th, 1921:—

“Recommended that Mr. Whitaker the present Assistant Librarian, be appointed Librarian at a salary of £500 a year; that Mr. Suter, the present Sub-Librarian, be entitled Deputy Librarian and that his salary be raised from £396 to £450 a year; that Mr. Hodgkinson, the present Junior Assistant Librarian be entitled Assistant Librarian and that his salary be raised from £264 to £300 a year. The Committee consider that the Library has hitherto been overstaffed and that these three men can adequately perform the duties hitherto performed by four. Total of previous salaries £1556. Total of proposed salaries £1250. Annual saving £306.”

The report “was adopted, the appointments to date from January 1st, 1921. It was resolved on the motion of the Master of the Library, Lord Justice Warrington, that the Library be open each weekday except Saturday from 9.30 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturdays from 9.30 to 1 p.m.” [p. 100]

The Under Treasurer read the following report of the Building and Kitchen Committees in joint meeting dated the January 27th, 1921:—

“The Under Treasurer’s memorandum on the technical requirements and difficulties of the situation if luncheons were served in Hall having been read, the Committee were unanimously of opinion that it is undesirable to institute luncheons in hall. The Under Treasurer to be authorised to make such arrangements as he may think fit to increase accommodation in the Refreshment Rooms and to arrange that 2 tables be reserved for Students and the rest for Barristers.”

The report was adopted. [p. 100]

“The Treasurer announced that Grand Day next term would be on Thursday the 14th April and read a list of those who he proposed should be invited. Certain additions to the list were suggested.” [p. 101]

“The Treasurer reported that an application had been made by a Barrister to introduce a lady as his guest on a Guest night and that in accordance with the rules laid down in 1891 for private guests in Hall at the Bar Tables, he had refused to permit such a proceeding. The Council approved the Treasurer’s action.” [p. 101]

Adjourned Council held on March 1st, 1921. [p. 102]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

The following recommendations of the Kitchen and Finance committees were read by the Under Treasurer.

The Kitchen Committee recommended as follows:—

1. that for reasons stated in a memorandum from the Under Treasurer, cash be taken henceforward for Barristers’ dinners in Hall.

2. that at Warburton Luncheons each Benchers, except the Treasurer and the Dean of the Chapel be restricted to two guests.
3. that the privilege of free luncheons enjoyed by the late Steward be extended to Mr. Rowe.

The Finance Committee after considering a memorandum from the Under Treasurer recommend as follows:—

1. that Barristers pay cash henceforward for dinners in Hall.
2. that there be a Kitchen Catering account as suggested by the Under Treasurer.
3. that the year's revenue and expenditure account should represent, as far as possible, actual receipts and payments throughout.
4. the normal revenue and expenditure be separated from abnormal revenue and expenditure.

Other recommendations:—

1. that at Warburton luncheons each Benchers, except the Treasurer and Dean of the Chapel, be restricted to two guests; that for each guest he invites a Benchers be charged 5/-; that the Treasurer be permitted to ask official guests.
2. that the sum of £200 be paid to the late Librarian's daughter in the special circumstances of the case.

These recommendations were adopted with the following exceptions:

Ordered that at Warburton Lecture luncheons there be no limit to the number of guests allowed to Masters of the Bench but a Benchers be charged 5/- for each of his guests, this rule not to apply to official guests invited by the Treasurer.

Ordered that the question of a grant to the late Librarian's daughter stand over until the next Council meeting and that notice of the matter be included in the printed agenda. [*pp.* 110, 111]

The following report of the Building Committee on the question of improved lavatory accommodation for the Masters of the Bench and of increased lavatory accommodation for women was read by the Under Treasurer.

Recommended:—

- (1) that the present Bench lavatory be left as it is.
- (2) that the Preacher's room be converted without extension, into an additional lavatory for Benchers: a row of washing basins to run down one side of the room, a row of urinals to run down the other.
- (3) that the present Benchers closets behind New Square be turned into closets for women without alteration, and without the employment of a permanent attendant.
- (4) that 2 closets in the Barristers closets behind New Square be kept locked, reserved for Benchers.
- (5) that when accommodation is required for women students and women Barristers, it be provided in the rooms below the students lobby at the entrance to Hall.

Ordered that the Architect be consulted on the above proposals and subject to his approval of them, estimates for the proposed work be obtained and submitted to the Bench. The following further recommendations of the Building Committee were adopted

- (1) that the Under Treasurer be authorised to carry out the substitution of electricity for gas in the staircases of the Inn and to refuse to renew the agreement with the gas company.

Charges of gas company for lighting staircases etc. £728 for 1920 which would be increased to nearly £1000 for 1921

cost of electric current for 12 months for same purpose estimated at £250.

- (2) that the Under Treasurer be authorised to arrange, if practicable, that the electric supply co. collect its own bills from tenants of the Society. [pp. 111, 112]

“The Treasurer reported that the Right Hon. Herbert Henry Asquith K.C., M.P. would unveil the War Memorial on Wednesday 16th March, and outlined the arrangements for the ceremony made by the War Memorial Committee.” [p. 112]

“An offer to the Society by Sir John Edwards Moss¹ of two chairs the property of Sir Matthew Hale, as a gift from himself was accepted with thanks and cordial appreciation.” [p. 113]

“The Under Treasurer asked if he might be allowed the use of the Hall for a dinner or supper to the Oxford and Cambridge crews and a few others on the night of the University Boat Race, the arrangements to be on the lines of the Chancery Bar Lodge dinners at no expense to the Society. Leave was granted.” [p. 113]

UNVEILING OF THE WAR MEMORIAL

Wednesday, 16th March 1921.

By the Right Hon. Henry Herbert Asquith, K.C., M.P.

The unveiling of the Memorial in New Square was preceded by a short service in the Great Hall at which Mr. Asquith delivered the following address.

“This is a unique occasion in the annals of Lincoln’s Inn. Law pre-supposes peace. *Inter arma silent leges*. We here, the bulk of us, are members of a profession whose function it has always been, and is, to substitute in the controversies of mankind the arbitrament of reason for the crude ordeals of force. But we are met here today to commemorate friends and associates bred in that tradition who, in obedience to a supreme and testing appeal, gave their own lives, and in many cases the lives of their sons on the greatest battlefields of history. Sixty three members of this Society and some thirty of their sons were killed

¹ Sir John Edwards Edwards-Moss, 2nd Baronet (1850-1935). Read law at Oxford; no later career in law. Strong interest in rowing at Eton, Oxford and Henley. (WWW).

in one or another of the theatres of war. We have felt, and we are here today to show, so far any material tribute can give perpetuity to their names and to the deeds and sacrifices with which those names are imperishably bound up, that is our due to them to preserve their memory for our posterity. In a few moments we shall proceed to unveil their monument. Before we do so there is one question which it is fitting to ask, and if we can, to answer. The clash of arms has ceased. The dust and the smoke of conflict no longer cloud our vision. Our dead—our heroic dead—lie tranquil in their distant graves. The world moves on, in something of its old accustomed groove. Is what we are doing today an act of merely conventional or superfluous piety? I think not. Without irreverence to history we may let the dead past bury its dead; for every age is in a true sense a new birth of time. Of the men whom we are commemorating it is true to say that they created their own record. They were not soldiers by profession or pastime. They had most of them, indeed, no previous training in arms. They were dedicated by choice and by practice to a branch of civil life, it is true, which brings men into almost daily controversy, though in a bloodless arena, with a constant interchange of give and take, with ever shifting vicissitudes of fortune, with alternating experiences of victory and defeat. May we not say of them that when the voice of public duty summoned them to another form of warfare they were able to contribute with the same self-forgetful devotion which animated all our fleets and all our armies, that they were able to contribute some special qualities to the common task—qualities bred and nurtured by their training and experience in these ancient Inns of Court?

“Be that as it may, among the traditions of Lincoln’s Inn their memory will always hold and keep a separate and a treasured place, for it will be recorded and remembered of them that, when the fortunes of humanity were in issue, they staked everything either in achievement or in ambition which they had or hoped for, and gave a righteous cause—gave without doubt, gave without stint, all that they had to give.” [*pp.* 114, 115]

Boat race supper in Lincoln’s Inn Hall.

“By leave of the Masters of the Bench, the Under Treasurer, Mr. R.P.P. Rowe, entertained at supper in Lincoln’s Inn Hall, at 11 p.m. on Boat Race day 30th March, 1921, the Oxford and Cambridge crews and a number of old rowing ‘blues’ of both Universities, 54 in all being present.” [*p.* 116]

Council held on April 8th, 1921. [*p.* 117]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

On further consideration of an application from the family of the late Librarian (A.F.G. Etheridge) it was Ordered that a donation of £200 be made to the late Librarian’s daughter. [*p.* 122]

Mr. Arthur Underhill asked that a small sum might be granted for the cleaning and varnishing of the Hogarth picture in the Old Hall; small repairs he stated were necessary owing to damage caused to the picture by splinters from a bomb explosion. His request was granted, and a vote of thanks to him was passed for the photograph album that he had presented to the Society. [*p.* 123]

Council held on May 2nd, 1921. [p. 129]

Twenty Benchers present.

Robert James Blackham, C.B., C.M.G., D.S.O., M.D., M.R.C.P., late of H.M. Royal Army Medical Service, called to the Bar by Middle Temple in May 1908, was admitted *ad eundem*.¹ [pp. 130, 131]

Read the following communication, dated April 1st, 1921, from the Council of Legal Education.

Keeping of Terms by Women Students

I am directed by the Council of Legal Education to report to your Honourable Society that the following Resolution was passed at a meeting of the Council held March 17th, 1921, viz. Resolved to recommend to the Four Inns that Rule 13 of the Consolidated Regulations be amended by adding after Charter the words "or of Girton or Newnham College at Cambridge" and that Rule 14 thereof be amended by adding after Universities the words "or Colleges". [pp. 133, 134]

"The application from the Secretary of the Cabdrivers Benevolent Association for permission to use the Gardens for the purpose of having a group photograph taken of some fifty annuitants of the society was granted." [p. 134]

"Lord Justice Younger explained the steps which had been taken to secure the replica (now on view for the first time in the Council Room) of a portrait by Sargent of Lord Russell of Killowen, the original being the property of Sir Charles Russell, Bart. Mr. F.M. Skipworth had been selected as admittedly the best artist for the purpose, to make the copy. The Lord Justice suggested that the Treasurer should be asked to express the thanks of the Masters of the Bench to Sir Charles Russell for his kindness in placing the original at their disposal and allowing it to be removed, for many weeks, to the studio of Mr. Skipworth; also that he should be asked to express to Mr. Skipworth their appreciation of his excellent work." [p. 135]

Three unanimous votes of thanks were passed respectively to Lord Justice Younger, Sir Charles Russell and Mr. Skipworth.

Council held on May 24th, 1921. [p. 136]

Eighteen Benchers present.

Read the report of the Finance Committee which included a recommendation that a pension of £2 a week be granted to William Aldridge, the gardener to the Society for 38 years. [p. 137]

Read a communication from J.E. Talbot Wallis, Esq., dated May 23rd, 1921, from which the following extracts are taken.

"I venture to enquire whether the Society of Lincoln's Inn would be at all interested to acquire a large portrait of Lord Chancellor Talbot, which I have in my possession through a branch of the Talbot family.

¹ Major-General (1941), author of *Wig and Gown, the Story of the Temple, Gray's Inn and Lincoln's Inn* (1932). He died on 23 January 1951. (WWW).

"... The portrait is attributed to Sir Peter Lely, but whether that is certain or only a traditional impression I cannot for certain say. Anyhow it is obviously by an eminent artist. The portrait is oval shape, depicting the Chancellor in robes and full bottom wig."

Resolved that the Under Treasurer be requested to write to Mr. Wallis to ascertain the price asked for the portrait. [*p.* 139]

Council held on June 13th, 1921. [*p.* 145]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Read a communication from J.G. Craufurd, Esq., a Barrister of the Society, dated June 12th, 1921.

"I beg that you will be good enough to supply me with information for my guidance with regard to the following hypothetical point.

"A is a barrister who has been absent from the Bar since the War. He petitions his Inn to be disbarred and is disbarred with a view to entering a solicitor's office as a clerk and afterwards being admitted and practising as a solicitor. Having served for an experimental period in a solicitor's office and (a) not having been admitted (b) having been admitted a solicitor, he decides that his experiment has been unsatisfactory. Will his Inn recall him to the Bar and if so under what conditions."

It was decided that no regulation was applicable to the case. [*pp.* 147, 148]

Council accepted the draft of new regulations relating to the admission of Scottish Advocates to the English Bar proposed by the Council of Legal Education. [*pp.* 148, 149]

Ordered that the Reading in Chambers Committee with the addition of the Treasurer and Lord Muir Mackenzie be requested to consider and report on the whole scheme [*sc.* of financial assistance for reading in chambers by pupils] [*p.* 151]

"The application from the Officer Commanding the Inns of Court O.T.C. for permission to drill members of the Corps on the grass plot west of Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn between the hours of 6 and 7 p.m. on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in each week was refused; but permission was granted to the Inns of Court O.T.C. to drill anywhere on the gravel during the above mentioned hours on the days named." [*p.* 151]

"The offer of a window by R. Wright Taylor, Esq.,¹ to be placed in the Chapel in memory of his son was referred to Lord Muir Mackenzie and Mr. Norton. The Under Treasurer was instructed to express the thanks of the Masters of the Bench to Mr. Taylor." [*p.* 151]

"Authority was given to the Under Treasurer to collect students commons at the beginning of each term." [*p.* 152]

¹ Admitted 21 November 1879, aged 20; called 21 June 1882.

Adjourned Council held on July 19th, 1921. [p. 153]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

A summary of the Minutes of the previous meeting was read by the Under Treasurer.¹

Called to the Bench:

Lewis Boyd Sebastian [pp. 151, 156]

Read the following report of the Finance Committee.

With regard to the reference from Council of a proposed alteration in the Regulations of the Society, the Committee recommend:

that regulation 2 be not altered, but that a resolution be passed by the Council to the same effect as proposed Regulation 3, viz:—

“Notwithstanding the provisions of the foregoing Regulations the Masters of the Bench may at their absolute discretion dispense with the payment of part or the whole of the deposits herein specified or return part or the whole of such deposits if in their opinion there are circumstances that render such special action advisable.”

definitely authorising the Students Committee to recommend exemptions from payment of the £100 deposit and giving them power to act without reference to the Bench in an emergency.

They recommend further that the Students Committee be instructed to enter in their Minute Book a note that such exemptions are intended for poor and deserving undergraduates.

Ordered that the recommendations be adopted. [p. 155]

Read the following report of the Special Committee to consider the King George's Coronation Scheme for reading in Barristers Chambers:—

“The Committee recommend that studentships for reading in chambers to be called ‘King George Vth Coronation Scholarships’ be continued but having regard to the present state of the finances, that not more than 200 guineas annually be applied from the funds of the Society for the purpose, sums not exceeding that aggregate amount to be awarded on the recommendation of the King George Vth Studentship Committee. The Committee consider that the conditions for the award of these scholarships should be revised with a view especially to secure that awards should be made only to those who give evidence of special ability and merit and who require assistance to enable them to pay the fees for reading in chambers and they suggest that the Committee should be re-appointed with say two additional members to draft new conditions for the award of the Studentships, to be submitted to the Bench.”

¹ This practice is recorded here for the first time and recorded as continuing for the rest of Book 44, but not thereafter.

The Report was adopted, the Committee to have power to co-opt any additional members. [*pp.* 156, 157]

"Mr. Underhill reported the proceedings of the Picture Committee.

"He announced that they had decided to make no recommendation with regard to the Fresco in the Hall for the present and that they recommended that the wall space above the oak in the Council Room and Drawing Room should be treated with distemper only. He asked that a small sum should be granted for stripping the paint from the doorway and chimney piece of the Council and Drawing Rooms.

"The recommendation with regard to the walls in the Council Room and Drawing Room was adopted and a sum not to exceed £200 was granted for the proposed stripping of paint." [*p.* 157]

The Under Treasurer reported that he had given evidence before a Committee appointed by the Secretary of State for India to examine into the conditions under which natives of India studied in England. The Treasurer, Mr. Justice Lawrence and Mr. Clauson K.C. were appointed to draw up a statement on behalf of Lincoln's Inn dealing with the question of Indian Students to be forwarded to the Secretary of the Committee. [*pp.* 157, 158]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1921. [*p.* 159]

Thirty Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Under Secretary of State for the Colonies relative of the admission of Students from the Colonies, dated July 26th, 1921, of which extracts follow.

2. Mr. Churchill understands that all applicants for admission to an Inn of Court have to pay fees and deposits amounting to nearly £200 with the following exceptions:—

(a) £100 deposit is not required from anyone who is a member of the Scottish or Irish Bars or has taken a degree at any University in the United Kingdom, founded by Act of Parliament or Royal Charter.

(b) A further deposit of £50 is not required from anyone who can give a bond for £50 with two sureties, who must be English Barristers practising in Great Britain or householders in England approved by the Treasurer of the Inn.

It follows that the majority of the United Kingdom students will enter upon a payment not exceeding £50 while overseas students for the most part, not having United Kingdom degrees or United Kingdom friends who will stand surety must pay a further £150.

3. To meet the first point . . . it has been suggested that the Inns of Court should regard a degree conferred by a recognised University in the Dominions and Colonies as entitling applicants to the same privileges as the United Kingdom degrees. This would save practically every Bar student from the Dominions and Colonies the £100 deposit

4. To meet the second point . . . it is suggested that, if they were willing, the High Commissioners for the Overseas Dominions might act as surety for

reputable students from the Dominions which they represent provided that the Inns of Court would accept the High Commissioner as sole surety for their purposes.

5. Mr. Churchill attaches much importance to facilitating the training in London of Barristers from the Dominions and Colonies, and he would be glad to be furnished with the Benchers' observations as to these suggestions.

A subsequent letter suggests that in the case of students from the colonies not possessing responsible government, and the Protectorates, one of the Crown Agents for the Colonies might be accepted as surety in respect of the bond for £50.

Council referred the communication to the Finance Committee except as regards the proposal to substitute for two sureties the High Commissioner or the Crown Agent for the Dominion or district concerned as single surety, which was accepted. [*pp.* 166-169]

"The communication from the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar requesting that members of the Russian Bar exiled in this country be permitted to use the libraries of the Inns of Court was referred in respect of this Society to the Library Committee." [*p.* 170]

Read the following communication, dated September 21st, 1921, from E.W.H. Birley, Esq.

"I am writing to give you formal notice of the death on the 11th August 1921 of my Father Mr. William Hornby Birley, who was the holder for life of a set of Chambers on the second floor (north) at No. 13 Old Square.

"The only document relating to the title that I have been able to find is an Admission dated the 12th June 1861 relating to a set of Chambers at No. 13 Dial Court and Chapel Row in the Old Buildings, but from a letter dated the 22nd June 1881 addressed to my Father by the Steward I gather that this document should have been exchanged for a similar document relating to the Chambers at 13 Old Square allotted in substitution for the original chambers when the latter were demolished.

"The chambers are at present let, as to part to Sir Frederick Pollock at an annual rent of £55, paid half yearly at Midsummer and Christmas and paid up to Midsummer last, and as to Messrs Craven & Co. at an annual rent of £55, paid quarterly on the usual quarter days and paid up to Midsummer last.

"I understand that there are no written Agreements with the tenants, but I believe the rates have been paid as to one third by Sir Frederick as to one third by Messrs. Craven & Co. and as to the remaining third by my Father.

"Mr. Potten, clerk to Sir Frederick Pollock is aware of my Father's death, but I am writing to him and also to Messrs. Craven & Co. giving them formal notice of the fact and that all future rent will be payable to the Inn ..."

Council referred the letter to the Building Committee. [*pp.* 170, 171]

Read and adopted a report of the Finance Committee that at a meeting on the July 26th, 1921.

"... they appointed Mrs. Briggs housekeeper to the Society at a salary of £8 per month with the understanding that she be allowed 1 hour off daily for work for the Under Treasurer, who will pay her for this £25 per annum. Further they resolved that Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Reynolds late Bench laundresses, be granted a pension of 10/- and 9/- per week respectively upon their retirement." [*p.* 172]

"Mr. Underhill and Mr. Maugham K.C. were requested to view and report on an oil painting of Vice-Chancellor Bacon offered to the Society as a gift by E. Crawshaw Elgood, Esq." [*p.* 172]

"Upon further consideration of a communication from J.E. Talbot-Wallis, Esq., relative to the portrait of Lord Chancellor Talbot, it was resolved that the Under Treasurer do write to Mr. Talbot-Wallis informing him that the Bench regret they cannot make any offer for the portrait or go further into the matter." [*p.* 173]

Council held on November 2nd, 1921. [*p.* 174]

Thirty Benchers present.

Read the following Financial Statement as Ordered by the Council of January 31st, 1921, for the year 1920, that is the year ending January 10th, 1921.

"On Members Account, the excess of payments over receipts was £9173. This account covers all expenditure in respect of Benchers, Barristers and Students including the establishment expenses of the Hall and Library Buildings, the cost of Chapel, Pensions and Donations. The only receipts credited to the account are for Fees and Dues. The debit balance of £9173 on Members Account is partly but not wholly met by income from investments and income from real property.

Income from investments	£4153
Nett income from real property (rents)	2779
leaving a nett loss on the year of £2240.	

"There was also a sum of £1994 spent on capital account. This was expenditure which though non-productive cannot be regarded as recurrent. It was in respect of the War Memorial, Chapel Windows, a portrait and a piano.

"The prospect for the future is as follows. In the current year there will be reductions in certain items of expenditure on Members' account, but against these must be set a considerable increase in pensions. On real property account there should be an appreciable gain on balance both because of reduction in expenditure and increase in rents.

"A considerable sum must again be expended on capital account, but part of this will be productive, i.e. will result in annual saving. After the current year

such extraordinary expenditure should be on a much smaller scale, provided that nothing is done to the Old Hall. The re-roofing &c. of the Old Hall may have to be considered during the next few years.

"A summary of the accounts for the year ending 10th January 1921 was laid on the table. Ordered that copies of this summary be kept in the Under Treasurer's office and be available for the use of Benchers but that these be not removed from the Under Treasurer's office." [pp. 174, 175]

"Read a communication from G.R.Y. Radcliffe, Esq., relative to the deposit of £100 to be made by Oxford Undergraduates who have not completed 2 years residence." [p. 176]

Read the following communication from the Secretaries to the Committee on Indian Students, dated October 26th, 1921.

"You will no doubt have seen from the Press that the visit to India of this Committee, before which you were good enough to give evidence, has been cancelled. In this connection Lord Lytton considers that you may wish to have the opportunity of seeing in full the correspondence which has passed between the Secretary of State and himself on the matter, and a copy of that correspondence is enclosed for your information." [p. 179]

Upon reading a communication from the Middle Temple that that Inn was willing to entertain the suggestion that Russian advocates be permitted to use the libraries of the Inns of Court subject to the concurrence of the other Inns, the Council Ordered that the Library Committee to whom this matter was referred by the Council of the October 12th, 1921, be authorised to act without further reference to the Council. [p. 180]

Council read and adopted the following recommendations of the Finance Committee, viz. that no alteration be made at present with regard to the £50 deposit or sureties in lieu thereof required by the Society; secondly, that the Admission Fee of the Society be increased to £20, the increase to take effect in respect of Students entering on and after 1st January 1922. [p. 181]

Read and adopted the following reports of the Finance Committee:—

1. Upon consideration of a communication from the Secretary of State for the Colonies referred to this Committee by the Council of October 12th, 1921, the Committee recommend that the letter be answered to the following effect:—

that under a recent regulation of the Bench discretionary power is given to dispense with the deposit of £100 in proper cases. This power could to some extent meet the cases referred to in the letter of the Under Secretary of State of July 4th, 1921.

2. Upon consideration of the rents to be charged to Members of the Society occupying Professional Chambers, the Committee recommend that the Building Committee be instructed to raise the rents in question

by approximately 15 p.c., this to be the general rule but special cases to be treated on their merits. The Committee wish to point out that the rents when so raised will still be slightly below the level of 1894, previous to the reduction of 15 p.c. then ordered. [*pp.* 181, 182]

"Ordered that all arrears due to the Society up to Midsummer 1921 be collected." [*p.* 182]

Read and adopted the following report of the Building Committee.

"The Building Committee report that for the greater security of the Inn they have ordered that:—

"On Sundays all gates of the Inn be closed throughout the day except the Old Gate in Chancery Lane and the Lincoln's Inn Fields Gate, these two gates to be open until 3 p.m. when they will be closed and manned. On Sunday evenings entrance from Chancery Lane up to midnight, to be by the Old Gate, not by the Stone Buildings gate. [*p.* 182]

Officers for 1922. [*pp.* 182, 183]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Warrington.

Master of the Library: His Honour Judge Stanger K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Eve.

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Lawrence.

That His Honour Judge Amphlett K.C. be asked if he wishes to accept the office of Master of the Walks.

"An offer to sell to the Society a portrait of Sir James Eyre for £40 was declined." [*p.* 183]

"On a report by Arthur Underhill, Esq., on a portrait of Vice-Chancellor Bacon offered as a gift to the Society by E. Crawshaw Elgood, Esq., it was decided to decline the offer with thanks. [*pp.* 183, 184]

"Ordered that on Guest Nights a Barrister having a Guest may arrange a Mess and have places reserved for it on giving the 4 names and not less than 48 hours notice to the Under Treasurer, but there shall be no reservation of the first two messes. The right of a Barrister to displace a Barrister junior to himself is rescinded on Guest Nights in so far as its exercise may interfere with the above arrangement." [*p.* 184]

Council held on November 25th, 1921. [*p.* 188]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

"The Petition of A.T. Denning, Esq., for a remission of six Terms was granted." [*p.* 189]

"Upon consideration of a letter from W. Hall Hickin, Esq., asking whether his position as an Assistant to the Secretary of the General Electric Company Ltd. at a fixed salary would be regarded as engaged in trade. It was resolved that Mr. Hall Hickin's occupation is trade within the meaning of the Consolidated Regulations and disqualifies him from admission to the Society." [*pp.* 189, 190]

On reading communications from the other three Inns suggesting a special committee to consider the letter from the Colonial Office dated July 25th, 1921,¹ It was Ordered that the Treasurer and Lord Justice Warrington (Treasurer for 1922) be appointed to meet and confer with the representatives of the other Inns with regards to the letter.² [p. 192]

Read the report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar dated the 1st November 1921 which recommended increases in the lecture fees and the examination fees for students. Ordered that the Council of Legal Education be invited to give their opinion as soon as possible upon the proposals of the Joint Committee both from the educational and financial point of view and the further consideration of the report be adjourned. [pp. 193, 194]

"Mr. Justice Eve reported on behalf of the War Memorial Committee that the Lincoln's Inn War Roll was completed and had been placed in the Drawing Room. The cost was 50 guineas, a price considerably less than that which had been allowed as a maximum. He drew attention to the admirable work done by Mr. Norton in the compilation of the book. A vote of thanks to Mr. Norton was passed. Ordered that a cheque for £52.10/- be sent to Mr. Graily Hewitt in payment for the Book." [p. 195]

"The Under Treasurer reported that His Honour Judge Amphlett K.C., did not wish to accept office as Master of the Walks. It was left to the Treasurer to enquire if Mr. Cutler K.C. wished to serve, and, if he would prove unwilling to invite Sir John Butcher, Bart, K.C., M.P. to accept the Office." [p. 195]

"The question of attendance on the Rota was considered. It was Resolved that when notices of the Rota were next sent out the Under Treasurer should call particular attention to the duty of Benchers to provide their own substitutes if personal attendance were impossible." [p. 198]

"Resolved that a portrait of Lord Brougham [painted by Andrew Geddes] offered to the Society by C. Newman be purchased at a price not exceeding Thirty Pounds." [p. 199]

Treasurer: Sir Alfred Hopkinson, K.C.

The following Bencher died during the year

May 28 James Austen Cartmell b.1862. Junior equity counsel to the Treasury and the Board of Trade.

Newly elected in place of deceased:

Lewis Boyd Sebastian

¹ *Ante*, pp. 174, 175.

² *See post*, p. 205.

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Council held on January 11th, 1922. [p. 200]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read a communication dated December 6th, 1921, from the Council of Legal Education notifying the following unanimous resolution of that Council.

"The Council of Legal Education having considered the Report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar dated 19th July 1921 and the letter of the Bombay judges referred to therein, adheres to its report dated 22nd November 1920 on the subject of Bombay Advocates." [p. 202]

The motion of A. Underhill, Esq., that the rules for private guests of Benchers be amended by substituting the word "Barristers" for the words "Kings Counsel" in the 2nd line of the 3rd paragraph, was negatived. [p. 203]

Read the Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the Scheme for Reading in Barristers Chambers, known as the King George V Coronation Studentships. The Committee proposed that in future the Inn should grant annually two studentships of 100 guineas each to cover the fee for reading in chambers with a barrister for one year. The report sets out detailed proposals as to eligibility, mode of application and so on. The Report was adopted by the Council. "It was further resolved that the rules of the scheme be printed on the Reading in Chambers application forms and that a notice of the Tancred Scholarships and of all prizes given by the Inn be printed on the circular giving terms of admission, etc." [pp. 204-206]

Read a communication dated November 16th, 1921, from the International Law Association, of which the following is an extract.

"The Secretaries of the International Law Association have received a very moving letter from Dr. Kral of Budapest who was one of the Hungarian Secretaries of the Conference when the International Law Association met there in the summer of 1906, an occasion on which its members were very well received.

"As is probably generally known, the poverty which has fallen upon Hungary and some other enemy countries—richly deserved as in some respects it is—has fallen with particular hardship upon the professional classes. Dr. Kral, who is himself a judge, stated that while he as a bachelor can live, his fellow judges are very poor. Last year he got assistance from the American Red Cross and was able to distribute clothing at Christmas. He reckons that upon what he calls the Judicial Staff, Judges, Officers and Clerks, there are in the Budapest Central County Court and Royal Court 885 with 2263 in their families, making a total of 3148.

"We are raising a subscription among the members of our Association and specially from those who were so well entertained in happier days at Budapest. But we have thought that the common professional brotherhood

might induce others to offer some assistance to people in such dire necessity...."

"Ordered that the Notice be screened and the Hon. Sec. to the Association be informed that the Masters of the Bench cannot make a direct contribution." [pp. 206, 207]

"Read a letter from G.A. Edinger Esq., tenant and occupier of Chambers No. 11 New Square relative to the parking of omnibuses in Lincoln's Inn Fields by the London General Omnibus Co. Ltd. Resolved: that no action be taken." [p. 207]

"The Under Treasurer reported that the portrait of Lord Brougham had been purchased for twenty guineas."¹ [p. 207]

"The Under Treasurer reported that by direction of the Finance Committee he had been in negotiation with the Metropolitan Water Board with a view to escaping the very heavy increase in water rate threatened after the March quarter. He was satisfied that the Board had no power to alter the rate in special cases. In the circumstances economy for the Inn could only be secured either (1) by making all tenants pay the rate themselves in accordance with their leases or agreements, or (2) by the Inn sinking its own well or wells, and supplying its own water. Ordered that the matter be referred to the Building Committee." [p. 208]

"Ordered that under the new scale of Admission Charges, the admission fee of Benchers' sons be £15." [p. 208]

"Ordered that the practice of taking the wine and commons books nightly to the Bench be discontinued and that these be checked and signed by the Under Treasurer." [p. 208]

"Permission was given to the Under Treasurer to coach the Oxford VIII at Putney and also the Pembroke College Cambridge VIII for the May races at Cambridge." [p. 208]

Council held on January 31st, 1922. [p. 213]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read the Report of the Council of Legal Education of January 11th, 1922, relative to the increase of fees for lectures and examinations from which the following extracts are taken.

"At present each student on admission pays five guineas for Lecture fees (Consolidated Regulation 6). These fees are received by the Council of Legal Education and applied as part of its revenue. It is proposed to raise this fee to ten guineas.

"Under Consolidated Regulation 24, each student pays to the Council for examination fees a total of three guineas. It is proposed to increase the

¹ By Andrew Geddes. For another portrait of Brougham, see *post*, p. 334.

minimum of three guineas at present payable to a minimum of nine guineas—one guinea for each of the four parts of Part 1 and five guineas for Part 2.

"To appreciate the effect of the new proposals it is necessary to recall the system by which the Council of Legal Education is financed by the four Inns of Court. The Council is not in receipt of any fixed annual income, but is reimbursed each year by the four Inns the amount actually expended on Legal Education. The sums provided towards the total by each Inn are made up (1) by fees specifically demanded from its students and handed over as such by the respective Inns to the Council, and (2) by contributions from the Inns' general funds.

"At present the first head comprises £1.1s.0d. admission fee paid by each student under Consolidated Regulation 5, and £5.5s.0d. tuition fees paid under Consolidated Regulation 6. The contributions under the second head are made up (a) by a payment by each Inn of £360 a year, (b) by a payment by each Inn of £5.5s.0d. for each student who receives a certificate of Call to the Bar. If all the above sums are not sufficient a balance contribution is assessed upon each of the Inns—proportionate to the number of its students called to the Bar during the year.

"In relief of its contributions under the second head the Inns receive the amount of the examination fees which have been charged to each student since 1912. These fees . . . are collected by the Council and handed over to the respective Inns, and in no way form any part of the revenue of the Council.

"It is not suggested that the present system should be abrogated by which the Council receives from the Inns of Court its actual expenses only, and it will be apparent that the new proposals will make no difference in the financial position of the Council. On the other hand, they will have the effect of throwing the whole cost of Legal Education on the student as long as the cost remains about the present figure, and will leave a substantial surplus for the Inns. [The report then goes into details which demonstrate that if no change is made the net amount to be found by the Inns in a year is estimated at £4,147 whereas if the charges are increased there would be a surplus of £950. The report continues]

"If the question be regarded from the educational point of view, the alterations will neither increase nor decrease the efficiency of Legal Education. They may in some instances tend to discourage men from coming to the Bar; but this increase in the cost incident to Call to the Bar would not in the vast majority of cases act as a serious deterrent.

"The increase in the Examination fees will probably tend to deter students from entering for an examination before they have sufficient knowledge to pass it; but this, from an educational point of view, is not a result which should be regretted. [The report then deals with the transitional period, and concludes as follows]

"The Council do not think that there can be any serious objection to the proposed increase of the fee for lectures from £5.5s. to £10.10s.

"As to the proposed increase of Examination fees, the actual direct cost of examinations in 1920, including examiners' fees, printing and stationery, was rather less than £2,000. With a liberal addition for a share of administration expenses, the total cost would not exceed £2,500. The total new charge on 450 students will be £4,252, and on 520 students will be £4,914. The increase seems to be altogether out of proportion to cost, even after taking into account the establishment charges of the respective Inns in respect of buildings provided for examinations. It will inevitably be supposed that the fee bears some close relation to cost, and the Council as the examining body think that it is undesirable that a sum should be demanded from students ostensibly to pay for educational facilities actually for another purpose.

"A further question arises whether it is desirable for the Inns of Court to throw the whole cost of Legal Education upon the students. This appears to the Council to be a matter of great importance to the Inns of Court as educational authorities; but it is a matter of policy to be decided by the respective Inns of Court, as to which the Council do not feel authorised to make a recommendation."

"The Treasurer explained that, to prevent the confusion and delay which might arise if the Four Inns should make conflicting orders on this report he had consulted certain Benchers of the other Inns with a view to securing uniformity of policy. In consequence the other three Inns, as shown by the foregoing communications, had referred the report to a Committee to consist of the Treasurer and two nominated Masters of the Bench of each Inn. Ordered that the report be referred to a joint Committee of the Four Inns ..." [pp. 217-222]

The report of the Building Committee dated 30th January was read and explained by the Treasurer. It contained the following extracts.

That all members who are tenants of the Society (69) with breaks in their Agreements on 25th March next, have signed stamped acceptances of the increases of rents, which will bring in an additional annual revenue of £1105 from that date.

Resolved that dogs be not admitted to the garden except on a lead.

Resolved that the extension and improvement to the oak dais in the Hall be considered when the financial position warrants the expenditure. (At present prices £163 if Japanese Oak used).

Resolved that the places where the bombs fell during the War be permanently and clearly marked, and that Mr. Simpson be asked to draw and submit suitable inscriptions.

Resolved that the attention of the Council be called to the fact that the door connecting the Chief Butler's apartments with the Hall and Library Buildings costs the Society £90 a year, Inhabited House Duty being paid in consequence of this door on the whole of the Hall and Library Buildings. From April next it will involve a further loss in water rate of £40 a year.

Recommended that the Metropolitan Water Board be requested to collect water rate direct from the tenants of the Inn on and after April 1st next, and that in future the Inn enforce the Clause in agreements and leases, by which the tenants accept liability for water rate. In any case where this may appear a breach of custom it is suggested that a small concession be made in the matter of rent. The Under Treasurer has been instructed to draft circulars explaining the position created by the new Water Board Act, so that tenants may understand the reasons for the course proposed and submit them to the Building Committee.

"Ordered that the connections between the Chief Butler's apartments and the Hall and Library Buildings be walled or fastened up so as to save the Society from liability to Inhabited House Duty on the Hall and Library Buildings, unless the Under Treasurer can by any other means avoid the payment of this duty; further, that if the apartments have to be separated from the main building a solatium of £10 per annum be added to the salary of the Chief Butler." [pp. 224-226]

Adjourned Council held on 7th March, 1922. [p. 227]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

The following report, dated March 6th, 1922, on the work in the Walks during 1921 by The Hon. Mr. Justice Lawrence, the Master of the Walks for that year was read

Benchers will have noticed that 1921 has been a year of great activity in the Walks. Most of the shrubs have been taken up and several trees have been cut down, many tons of soil have been removed, all the beds have been deeply trenched and large quantities of lime and manure (both natural and artificial) have been imported and dug in. The reason why these operations were undertaken was because the soil in all the beds had become exhausted and was sour and all the shrubs and plants were in a thoroughly unhealthy condition.

The following is a short summary of the work undertaken during the year:—

I. Gardens proper.

The evergreen and other more or less moribund shrubs have been removed from the herbaceous border below the terrace on the East side of the Hall: this border has been lowered, widened, trenched, manured and replanted with climbing shrubs and choice herbaceous plants. The two raised oval beds in the centre of the lawn in front of this herbaceous border have been done away with and two smaller rectangular beds have been laid out and planted. The herbaceous border and the two beds which I have just mentioned were raised above the surrounding ground with the result that they did not retain any moisture in dry weather and the plants suffered in consequence. The bedraggled privet hedge formerly standing on the herbaceous border on the terrace to the North of the Hall has been removed; and the border has been widened, trenched, manured and replanted.

II. Kitchen Garden.

This little garden was in a very bad condition. It contained three trees and was overgrown with privet shrubs standing about 8 to 9 ft. high which had become unhealthy and were bare underneath. The soil was sour and an unpleasant odour pervaded the whole garden which was badly in want of light and ventilation. All the shrubs and one of the trees (a thorn) have now been removed and the remaining trees have been thoroughly pruned. The soil has been trenched, limed and manured and flowering shrubs and a silver birch tree have been planted.

The tenants overlooking this garden have formed a small committee at the head of which is Mr. Dighton Pollock, who in spite of his pressing engagements during the autumn was able to find time enough to take an interest in the work. The Committee has been in constant touch with our Gardener as to the laying out and has contributed the sum of £25 towards the expense. The plan is to have flowering shrubs and grass with bulbs in the centre and herbaceous plants in the surrounding beds with creepers to cover the walls. When the garden is established on the new lines it will if attended to admit sufficient light and air to create a pleasing effect and may even enhance the letting value of the Chambers looking on to it.

III. The Garden in New Square.

All the shrubs have been removed. They consisted chiefly of privet and lilacs most of which were found to be in a dying condition. Two trees on the West side have been removed—one thorn which was too near the plane tree at the N.W. corner and was in consequence out of shape and doing harm to the larger tree, and one Ailanthus which was too close to the iron fence. The surface soil which was very sour has been removed from all the beds, which have been deeply trenched, limed and manured. All the 8 beds have been planted with a choice selection of flowering shrubs and trees, which have been so arranged as to permit of bays being formed for herbaceous plants.

IV. The Walks Generally

It would make this report too long if I were to set out the names of all the shrubs and herbaceous plants which have been planted and the manner in which they have been grouped to give a pleasing effect with a continuous succession of flowers, leaves and berries. A detailed plan of the laying out of the herbaceous border on the East side of the Hall and of the 8 beds in New Square was prepared before the work was begun. This plan is now in the office of the Under Treasurer who will be happy to show and explain it to any Benchers interested in the work. I may mention that all the new shrubs and plants have been specially selected having regard to the locality of their permanent home and only those kinds which will thrive in London with ordinary care have been planted.

The grass throughout the Walks is in a deplorable condition. No doubt the drought of last summer is mainly responsible for this, but the damage by

drought has been emphasised by reason of the fact that the turf has been insufficiently dressed in the past. At the present time, moreover, it looks even worse than it otherwise would do because of the operations which have taken place in the surrounding beds. The whole of the grass now requires to be dressed with artificial manure and later on grass seed should be sown wherever bare patches are found to exist. In future I think the grass should receive attention every year as it is an important feature of the gardens.

At the suggestion of Mr. Sheldon (who has taken no little interest in the recent doings in the Walks) I invited Mr. W.J. Bean, the Assistant Curator of the Royal Botanical Gardens at Kew, the author of the standard work on British shrubs and trees and perhaps the greatest living authority on the subject, to come and look at what we were doing in the Walks. Mr. Bean accepted the invitation and came to Lincoln's Inn on a day during the Xmas vacation. The Under Treasurer, the Gardener and myself went round the Walks with Mr. Bean who inspected each bed and subjected our Gardener to a long and searching cross-examination.

It is satisfactory to be able to report that Mr. Bean was full of praise for the work that had been done and thoroughly approved of the scheme of planting which had been prepared by our Gardener and which Mr. Bean stated could hardly have been bettered. He expressed a desire to come again in the spring and make another inspection after the new shrubs and trees had been planted. He also promised to send us some water lilies from Kew in April for the basin in the centre of New Square. Mr. Bean also expressed to me his high appreciation of the ability of our present Gardener, for the finding of whom the Inn is indebted to our Under Treasurer. Mr. Bean and the Gardener confidently predict that in 3 or 4 years time the Walks will not only be worthy of the Inn but a great attraction and a source of pleasure to all those whose avocations lead them to the Inn and especially to those whose Chambers overlook the Gardens.

.... [thanks are here expressed to Mr. Sheldon]

Most of the work of restoration is now complete but the Walks cannot of course for some time to come look their best. In case however the operations should, as I sincerely hope, ultimately turn out to be successful, I desire to place it on record, that the entire credit will belong in the first place to our Under Treasurer, who has been enthusiastic in organising and supervising the whole of the work, and in the next place to our Gardener who not only planned the scheme of renovation but has been indefatigable in carrying it out, in spite of the severe handicap he has encountered owing to the unprecedented drought of last year.

V. Some Conclusions.

A study of the Black Books reveals the fact that reports on the Walks are rarely made to the Council, Lord Muir Mackenzie's report on the pruning of trees in 1913 being a notable exception. The Under Treasurer informs

me, that he has sought in vain for any *general* report on the Walks and that he can find no evidence of the soil of the beds or of the lawns having received the attention which is absolutely essential if flowering shrubs are to flourish and remain healthy or borders are to contain any but the commonest plants or lawns are to look nice. I suggest that a general report on the work in the garden should be made to the Council annually. I would also point out that the system by which a Master of the Walks is in office for one year has certain inherent disadvantages. The chief of these is that there is no continuity in garden policy. A further drawback is this. As expenditure on a garden has seldom an immediate result, the Master of the Walks during his term of office has no inducement to provide for matters which will only tell after he has gone out of office and may not even then commend themselves to his successors. To maintain continuity, I recommend the appointment of a permanent Garden Committee, of which the Master of the Walks in any year might be the *ex-officio* Chairman. The Gardener should make reports and give estimates to this Committee periodically, and certainly not less often than three times a year.

[The final section of the report contains a statement of past expenditure in 1921 (£769.4s.5d.) and an estimate for 1922 (£500)]

After considerable discussion interspersed by voting on various sections of the Report the whole of the Report of the Master of the Walks for 1921 was adopted. [pp. 234-240]

Read and adopted the following Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the question of pensions.

Pensions

Pensions, if granted, will normally be calculated as follows. A servant will have no claim for a pension (although exceptional cases will be considered) unless he has attained the age of 65 when retired or incapacitated. The pension will be at the rate of 1/60th of the servant's latest annual salary for each year of service up to 30. Servants who have been in the employment of the Inn for more than 30 years may be granted a pension exceeding half salary at the option of the Bench.

Gratuities

These if granted will take the form of a single donation in addition to the pension. A gratuity will be calculated as follows. 1/30th of the servant's latest salary for each years service up to 30: the total gratuity not to exceed one years salary. A gratuity may be granted to a servant himself or to his widow or other dependants.

Pension Fund

Recommended that a fund be set aside to provide pensions and gratuities. The trusts to be declared in such form as to render the object of the fund a charity for the purposes of income tax.

It was referred to the Finance Committee to carry into effect the recommendation relative to a pension fund.¹ [p. 241]

"The Treasurer called attention to the difficulties created by the present system of allowing Dues to accumulate indefinitely against Students, which causes an accumulation of arrears largely fictitious, and proposed that the two following regulations be authorized:—

1. A Student may pay the Fee of £12, the Composition for all future dues on, or at any time after, his admission.
2. A Student who shall not, within 6 months after [the] sending to him, at any time after the expiration of 5 years from the date of his admission, of a written demand, have paid all dues due from him at the date of the demand, shall ipso facto be deemed to have left the Society: but the Benchers may re-admit a Student so leaving the Society on condition that he pays all dues due from him at the date of his leaving the Society, the Composition fee of £12 for all future dues, and a fine of £2; and on such other conditions as they may deem reasonable.

It was Ordered accordingly." [p. 242]

"The recommendation of the Kitchen Committee that tea be provided to Benchers daily at a cost of 6d. was adopted." [p. 242]

"The consideration of the purchase of the portrait of the Rt. Hon. Viscount Bryce offered to the Society for two hundred guineas was ordered to stand over until the next Council." [p. 242]

"An offer from Warwick Draper Esq., a Barrister of this Society of an old engraving 'The prospect of Lincoln's Inn' was accepted with thanks ..." [pp. 242, 243]

"An offer from W.H. Quarrell Esq., of a portrait of William Austin of Lincoln's Inn² was accepted with thanks ..." [p. 243]

Council held on April 4th, 1922. [p. 244]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

The motion of the Treasurer that Robert Forsyth Scott, Esq., Master of St. John's College, Cambridge, a distinguished member of the Inn, be invited to become a Member of the Bench was carried unanimously. Ordered that he take precedence next after the Hon. Mr. Justice Sargant. [p. 247]

A Committee consisting of the Treasurer and three other Benchers was appointed to consider whether the 500th anniversary of the occupation by the Inn of their present site should be commemorated in any and what manner. [p. 247]

¹ The scheme was revised in December 1933: see *post*, pp. 328, 329.

² 1587–1634. Called 1611. Writer of religious works (DNB).

Read the report of the Finance Committee recommending that the Call Fee for Students entering after Easter Day next be increased to £40 to be divided equally between the fine on Call and the Library fine. [p. 247]

Read and adopted the report of the Special Joint Committee appointed to consider the question of the fees payable by Students. The Special Committee recommended that Regulation 6 be amended by substituting "Twelve guineas" for "Five guineas" as the lecture fee, and that Regulation 24 be amended by substituting "Two guineas" for "One guinea" as the fee for the final examination. [pp. 247, 248]

Read the following communication from the Judges having reference to the dress of women barristers in Court.

The Judges have expressed a wish that the dress of women barristers in Court shall conform to the following rules.

1. Ordinary barristers' wigs should be worn and should completely cover and conceal the hair.
2. Ordinary barristers' gown should be worn.
3. Dresses should be plain, black or very dark, high to the neck with long sleeves and not shorter than the gown, with high, plain white collar and barristers bands, or, plain coats and skirts may be worn, black or very dark, not shorter than the gown, with plain white shirts and high collars and barristers bands. [p. 248]

The offer to the Society of a portrait of the Right Hon. Viscount Bryce for 200 guineas was refused. [p. 248]

"Read a letter from Mr. Charles Newman offering to the Society a portrait of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Mansfield L.C.J. for 45 guineas. Resolved that Mr. Underhill be asked to inspect the portrait and to report thereon to the Bench." [p. 248]

Council held on April 25th, 1922. [p. 249]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"The following Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider whether the 500th Anniversary of the occupation by the Inn of their present site should be commemorated in any and what manner

"that, to commemorate the anniversary, a special dinner be given in October after the beginning of the sittings and before the commencement of the dining term at a time when a large number of lawyers from the Dominions and abroad are expected to be in London.

was adopted ... and the Committee was instructed to carry out the necessary details." [p. 250]

"Upon the report of Arthur Underhill, Esq., on his inspection of the portrait of the Rt. Hon. the Earl of Mansfield L.C.J. offered to the Society for 45 guineas, the Bench decided not to accept the offer." [p. 251]

"Resolved that Arthur Underhill, Esq., be requested to give instructions for having a case made to contain the Roll of Honour at a price not exceeding 14 guineas." [p. 251]

"It was resolved that in future the Treasurer of the previous year shall make the financial statement for that year; that one of the junior Benchers be selected by the Treasurer making the statement to examine the accounts with him and to assist him in preparing the statement." [p. 251]

"Ordered that two junior Benchers be appointed to check the silver after Trinity Term in each year." [p. 251]

"Ordered that the Wine Committee arrange that one of their members be appointed to take stock of the wine in the Society's cellars once a year. Ordered that what is left of the 1896 Port be held in reserve for special occasions." [p. 252]

Council held on May 22nd, 1922. [p. 256]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

The following rule (4) of the Rules for the election of Benchers was adopted in place of the existing rule.

"(4) No King's Counsel or Junior who is not in actual practice at the Bar shall be invited to the Bench unless this Rule be dispensed with in the particular case by a resolution of the Bench at a meeting held before the vacancy is filled at which meeting the question shall be put without discussion." [pp. 260, 261]

Read and adopted the following recommendation of the Finance Committee.

"The Finance and the Sub Committee on Chapel Windows report that they consider it advisable to leave the west window of Chapel substantially as it is." [p. 262]

"With reference to a recommendation of the Finance Committee that the salary of the Chief Porter and Chapel Keeper (J. Brock) be raised to £185 per annum, but that no extra fee be paid to him for ringing curfew, and that the Inn take over from him the cleaning of the Chapel, the Treasurer explained that a mistake had been made in the basis on which the Finance Committee had calculated the increase, which had been brought to his notice subsequently. He explained the circumstances and suggested that the Chief Porter's salary should be raised to £170 to meet the case. It was Ordered accordingly." [p. 262]

"The Treasurer reported a complaint made by a Miss E.M. Eastwick against a Barrister of this Honourable Society. He outlined the nature of the complaint and the evidence that had been put before him. The Bench resolved that there was no need to appoint a Committee to consider the case and made No Order." [p. 263]

"The application from Messrs. Goldwyns Ltd. for permission to photograph a film in the grounds of Lincoln's Inn was left to be dealt with by the Treasurer and the Under Treasurer after further information as to the character of the film had been obtained with a recommendation from the Bench that

Messrs. Goldwyns Ltd. might be asked to make a contribution to the Barristers Benevolent Society." [p. 263]

"The presentation to the Society by W.H. Quarrel [1], Esq. of a portrait of the late George Wilson, Esq., a member of the Honourable Society was accepted with thanks."¹ [p. 263]

"Read a communication from the First Clerk in the Under Treasurer's Office (J.A. Clark) tendering his resignation after 40 years service.

"It was resolved that Mr. Clark's resignation be accepted with regret and that there be conveyed to him an expression of the appreciation of the Masters of the Bench of his long and faithful service. It was left to the Treasurer and the Under Treasurer to arrange the date of his retirement. The question of pension was referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 264]

Council held on June 13th, 1922. [p. 270]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Sir Malcolm McIlwraith, K.C.M.G., K.C. [pp. 251, 272]

Sir George Rivers Lowndes, K.C.S.I., K.C. [pp. 261, 273]

Owen Thompson [pp. 262, 273]

James Francis Wallace Galbraith, K.C. [pp. 262, 273]

Arthur Fairfax Charles Coryndon Luxmoore, K.C. [pp. 262, 274]

"Sir Alfred Hopkinson, K.C., Treasurer for the year ending 10th January 1922, made his financial statement for that year. Dealing with the audited figures, he pointed out that whereas they showed only a moderate improvement on those of the previous year, the improvement was in reality substantial in view of the fact that the change to a cash basis in the method of setting out the accounts somewhat falsified the comparison. Thus the expenditure for the year ending 10th January 1922, while it included the payment of practically all expenses incurred during the year included also certain expenditure incurred during the previous year, but paid subsequently. Another point to which he drew attention was that the greater part of the deficit for the year ending 10th January 1922 was caused by special expenditure. Much less under this heading would be incurred in future years and a considerable part of this special expenditure was productive of economy. In conclusion he referred to a statement drawn up by the Auditor which showed the loss on capital account between the years 1914 and 1921, and pointed out that a great part of this was due to the loss on stocks realised to provide funds for investment in War Loan. While maintaining that strict economy was still essential, he regarded the financial position as showing improvement and likely to show further improvement in the future." [pp. 270, 271]

"The Under Treasurer pointed out that on each of two Sundays during the dining term only one Bencher of the three originally drawn on the Rota could

¹ This portrait does not appear to have been received.

attend. In each case the names of the two Benchers who volunteered to be present were added." [p. 274].

A communication from the Secretary to the Common Room notifying the election, subject to the approval of the Masters of the Bench, of the Under Treasurer as an honorary member of the Common Room while he remained Under Treasurer was approved. [p. 274]

Council held on July 3rd, 1922. [p. 276]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

"The Keeper of the Black Book (the Hon. Mr. Justice Lawrence) drew attention to the form in which invitations to the Bench were recorded in the Black Book which did not accord with the practice now or for some time past prevailing on the election of new Benchers, and Moved that a small Committee be appointed to enquire and report to the Bench as to the procedure on Invitations to the Bench at this and the other Inns of Court, the report to include any recommendations the Committee may think fit to make, which was carried ..." [pp. 276, 277]

"The petition of A.T. Denning, Esq., for exemption from examination in Constitutional Law and Legal History and Real Property of Part I of the Examination for Call to the Bar was granted." [p. 285]

Read the following Report of the Special Committee to deal with the celebration of the 500th anniversary: Resolved to commemorate the anniversary by a special dinner to be given in Hall on Wednesday the 6th December at 8 p.m. the dinner to be preceded at 7.15 by a short service in the Chapel, which was adopted after explanation by the Treasurer, subject to the date of the dinner being 5th or 7th in place of December 6th. [p. 285]

A question was raised as to the possibility of adding a name or names to the War Memorial was referred to a Special Committee of three Benchers. [p. 287]

"An offer to the Society by Mrs. Hamilton Fox of six 'Brabazon' pictures in memory of the late Mr. Justice Peterson whose property they were, was accepted with thanks, which the Treasurer undertook to express." [p. 287]

Adjourned Council held on July 25th, 1922. [p. 288]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Read and adopted the following Report of the Finance Committee.

"Upon consideration of salaries and re-adjustment in the Under Treasurer's Office in consequence of the retirement of J.A. Clark (Chief Clerk) the Committee recommend the following.

F.W. Corn Chief Clerk at a salary of £450 p.a.
N.Y. Marriott 2nd Clerk at a salary of £420 p.a.
both salaries to include all allowances." [p. 292]

Mr. Underhill called attention to the paintings lately presented to the Society by Mrs. Hamilton Fox in memory of the late Mr. Justice Peterson

and asked the Council to decide how they should be dealt with. It was resolved that the pictures be placed in the vestibule where they stand at present, but on a better stand." [p. 293]

"An offer to the Society by W.J. Hubbard Esq., of a mezzotint portrait of Richard Cromwell, Protector (a member of Lincoln's Inn) engraved by R. Earlom for 15/- was accepted." [p. 293]

"An application from the Secretary to the Royal Commission on Awards to Inventors for the use of the Old Hall for the hearing of claims respecting Aircraft Inventions was granted on the usual terms, provided the Hall be disengaged on the dates chosen." [p. 293]

Certain proposals of the Inns of Court O.T.C. relating to the Drill hall were considered, It was resolved:

- (1) that permission be given to the O.T.C. to insert in the Drill Hall a floor which will divide the large hall horizontally giving space in the upper half for Mess rooms, &c., the work to be subject to the supervision and approval of the Society's Architect
- (2) that in consideration of the large sum (between £4000 and £5000) to be spent on this work by the O.T.C., the lease of the Drill Hall to the Territorial Army Association of the County of London be extended by 10 years; also that the Society shall waive its right to break the lease intermediately. [pp. 293, 294]

"Mr. Justice Lawrence reported on behalf of the Garden Committee on the work in the Walks. He stated that the lawns were gradually improving and it was now hoped that they would not require expensive treatment, that it was proposed to remove the unsightly iron plates in the lawn east of Hall at a small cost, that next year efforts were to be made for a brighter display in the borders during June and July." [p. 294]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1922. [p. 295]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 292, 299]

Alfred Adams

Alfred Ravenscroft Kennedy, K.C.

"The Treasurer reported on behalf of the Sub-Committee appointed to make arrangements for the Quin-Centenary celebrations that it had been decided to hold a service in the Chapel on Tuesday the 28th November at 4.15 p.m. at which their Majesties the King and Queen had graciously expressed their intention to be present and at which the Archbishop of Canterbury had consented to deliver a short address. The date had been fixed to suit their Majesties and the Archbishop. Members of the Inn would be invited to apply for seats and as many as possible would be included in the congregation. The Banquet in the Hall would be held on Tuesday 5th December at 8 p.m." [p. 299]

The Report of the Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar dated 18th July 1922 was adopted.

It contained a ruling on a reference from the Middle Temple in relation to a Petition from Miss Helena Normanton to be Called to the Bar in her maiden name. In 1921 she had been married to a man named Gavin Clark. In her letter in support she put forward legal argument and presented evidence of usage. The Committee expressed the opinion "that Miss Helena Normanton may properly be Called to the Bar in her maiden name if she is generally known by it." [pp. 299, 300]

"The Under Treasurer's report on the death of Mrs. Howard, late laundress in the Steward's Office, a pensioner of the Society aged 88, was read." [p. 300]

Council held on November 2nd, 1922. [p. 301]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"The following Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the applications of students or persons desirous of becoming students was read and adopted:—

"The Under Treasurer reported that on the invitation of the Warden of All Souls, he had attended a meeting of certain Law Tutors and Law Professors at Oxford at which the following were present. The Warden of All Souls, C.K. Allen, Esq., M.A., University College, Professor F. de Zulueta D.C.L., All Souls College, A.E.W. Hazel, Esq., M.A., B.C.L., Jesus College, Professor W.S. Holdsworth, D.C.L., K.C., All Souls College, G.R.Y. Radcliffe Esq., M.A., and the Under Treasurer.

"The object of the meeting was to consider any steps that could be taken to obtain in larger numbers as students of Lincoln's Inn suitable Oxford Undergraduates. In a very full discussion the following points were raised to which all present agreed. In many cases Oxford Undergraduates were drawn to the other Inns in preference to Lincoln's Inn because only at the latter did the undergraduate, if a suitable man, find any difficulty in obtaining exemption from the deposit of £100. Another matter which told against Lincoln's Inn was that none of the other Inns required a personal bond if the student made a deposit of £50 in lieu of giving sureties. It was also suggested that the Oxford Law Tutors should be notified at suitable intervals of such matters as the date of examinations for the Tancred Studentship and be kept supplied with sufficient copies of the rules of Lincoln's Inn.

"After considering this Report the Students Committee resolved:

1. That the making of a deposit of £50 should be regarded as an alternative to the bond with sureties.
2. That it be recommended to the Council to make the following order:

That the Treasurer be empowered to remit the deposit of £100 in such cases as he may think fit. It was further agreed that this Order, if made, should normally be carried out by the Treasurer instructing the Under Treasurer to allow the exemption in such cases as he might specify." [pp. 302, 303]

"A silver inkstand engraved with the following inscription

Presented to

JAMES ADOLPHUS CLARK

by the Masters of the Bench of the Hon. Society of Lincoln's Inn as a token of their appreciation of 40 years faithful and loyal service. 18th April 1882-29th Sept 1922.

was presented by the Treasurer on behalf of the Masters of the Bench to Mr. J.A. Clark, late Chief Clerk in the Under Treasurers Office." [p. 305]

Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence reported on behalf of the Master of the Walks and the Garden Committee that it was unanimously recommended by that Committee that three plane trees in the avenue east of the Hall should be cut down, chiefly because they were interfering with the growth of the trees adjoining them. The recommendation was unanimously adopted, and it is Ordered accordingly. [pp. 305, 306]

Officers for 1923. [pp. 306, 307]

Treasurer: His Honour Judge Stanger, K.C.

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Eve.

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence

Keeper of the Black Book: Sir John Butcher, Bart., K.C.

Master of the Walks: Charles Elliott Edward Jenkins, K.C.

"The question of whether it were advisable to cancel the ringing of Curfew on certain evenings when lectures of the Council of Legal Education would be held in the Old Hall was considered. Ordered that the ringing of Curfew be not discontinued in these or any other evenings." [p. 309]

The Treasurer reported an application to the Inns of Court to make good between them the deficit on the Dinner given to Mr. Taft. Ordered that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 309]

Council held on November 24th, 1922. [p. 313]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"The motion of C.E.E. Jenkins, Esq., K.C. that with respect to the invitation to the Bench of King's Counsel actually practising at the Bar, there is no rule of the Bench that King's Counsel be necessarily invited to the Bench in the order of their precedence as such was carried, and it is so declared." [p. 319]

Read and adopted the Report of the Finance Committee which included the following item.

"Resolved that the appointment of Henry Charles Honess Fairchild as 3rd Clerk in the Under Treasurer's office as from the 29th September 1922 be confirmed at a salary of £120 per annum, his salary to be raised at the end of 12 months to £140, if he shall prove satisfactory." [p. 320]

Read the following communication from the Hon. Secretary to the Common Room:

I am directed by the Committee of the Lincoln's Inn Common Room to send you copies of the following resolutions, which were unanimously passed at a meeting of the Committee held yesterday [20th November 1922]

1. that a vote of thanks be given to the Masters of the Bench for the admirable way in which the re-decoration of the smoking room, hall and staircase of the Common Room has been carried out.

2. that the Masters of the Bench be requested to consider the question whether electric light should be installed in the Common room, which would preserve the new decorations and greatly add to the comfort of the members.

The Committee also elected as an Honorary Member of the Common Room Major Denton of the Queen's Regiment, the new adjutant of the Inns of Court O.T.C. ...

Ordered that the election of Major Denton as an Honorary Member of the Common Room be approved.

Ordered that the question of installing electric light in the Barristers Common Room be referred to the Building Committee with power to act. [pp. 320, 321]

Adjourned Council held on December 12th, 1922. [p. 325]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

"Upon the motion of the Treasurer the following Resolution was passed unanimously:

"The Masters of the Bench desire to express to Lord Justice Younger their hearty appreciation of the gift lately made by him for use in the Chapel of a silver gilt cross and brocade drapery." [p. 330]

"The motion of the Keeper of the Black Book that the proceedings in celebration of the 500th anniversary of the occupation by the Society of its present site be recorded in the Black Books was passed unanimously. The Council expressed by a unanimous vote its congratulations to the Treasurer on the success of the proceedings and their warm thanks to the Treasurer, to Lady Warrington and to the Commemoration Committee for the trouble they had taken in bringing about such success." [p. 330]

"The Under Treasurer was instructed to enquire and report on the Fire Practice and appliances in the Inn." [p. 331]

The Council considered the Report of the Committee appointed to make recommendations as to the procedure advisable on the publication of Call to the Bench. After discussion of the Report's recommendations and the taking of a number of votes, as a result the following Orders were made

"That every newly elected Master of the Bench be published to the Society in manner and form following:

"On the appointed day the newly elected Benchers shall attend in Hall at the dinner hour at or near the Bar table supported by two Masters who have conveyed the invitation to him; and when silence has been obtained in the accustomed manner, and before grace is said, the Treasurer shall direct the Under Treasurer to read, for the information of the Society, the Order as to the invitation of the newly elected Benchers to the Bench; and the Treasurer shall demand from the supporters of the newly elected Benchers what report they have to make; and they shall thereupon conduct the newly elected Benchers to the Treasurer, saying: 'We present to you Mr. A.B., a Barrister of this Society (and one of His Majesty's Counsel learned in the Law) to be published with his consent a Master of the Bench.' The Treasurer shall then say: 'Mr. A.B., by virtue of the authority entrusted to me I publish you a Master of the Bench of this Honourable Society' and shall greet him in the accustomed manner; and the new Master of the Bench shall then be conducted by his supporters to the lowest place at the Bench table, and silence having been again obtained grace shall be said.

"Ordered that a Barrister ordered to be invited to the Bench shall, if he accepts such invitation be published to the Society on the next following Council night in Term." [pp. 331-333]

In the course of the discussion which preceded the making of the above orders, Sir Frederick Pollock raised the point as to whether the privileges of a new Benchers would begin on his election or only on his publication. It was agreed without dissent that they should begin on his election. [p. 332]

Read the following communication, dated 5th December 1922, from the President of the Institution of Civil Engineers.

"The President, Council and Members of the Institution of Civil Engineers desire to express to the Treasurer, Benchers and Members of the Society of Lincoln's Inn their congratulations on the celebration of the five hundredth anniversary of the foundation of the Society.

"Having recently celebrated the Centenary of the Institution—founded for the advancement of a much younger profession—its members have a keen sense of all that is involved in five hundred years' work for the interests and welfare of the profession of the Law: and they beg leave to transmit a message of goodwill to the Society and of cordial good wishes for its welfare and continued advancement." [p. 333]

From the Record of the celebrations of the 500th anniversary of the occupation ordered to be entered in the Black Book, the following facts are extracted. [pp. 334-342]

The celebrations consisted of two functions. First a service in Lincoln's Inn Chapel and secondly a banquet in Lincoln's Inn Hall.

The Service was held at 4.15 p.m. on Tuesday 28th November 1922, followed by tea in the Hall. The King and Queen were present. The Treasurer and 59 other Benchers attended together with 60 ladies, and a number of

other barristers and students. The service was conducted by the Preacher (the Very Rev. Henry Reginald Gamble, Dean of Exeter). The lesson was read by the Very Rev. Henry Wace D.D., Dean of Canterbury (former Preacher). An address was given by the Archbishop of Canterbury, (the Most Rev. Randall Thomas Davidson D.D., D.C.L., LL.D).

The Banquet was held at 8 p.m. on Tuesday 5th December 1922. The Treasurer and 63 other Benchers entertained some 93 guests. In addition some 150 barristers and 12 students were also present.¹

"The Hall presented a remarkable appearance. The high table extended the full length of the East side of the Hall. The Treasurer was seated in the middle and was flanked on either side by the most prominent of the guests each of whom was conducted to the table by one of the senior Benchers. From the high table 10 tables projected across the Hall at which the rest of the company sat. Altogether some 365 persons were present." [p. 342]

Treasurer: Lord Justice Warrington

The following Benchers died during the year

1. April 13 Sir William Phipson Beale, Bt.
2. April 26 John Alderson Foote, K.C.
3. April 23 William Llewellyn-Williams, K.C.
4. April 29 David Lindo Alexander, K.C.
5. May 12 Mr. Justice Peterson
6. July 13 Philip Ffolliott Scott Stokes
7. July 16 Walter Charles Renshaw, K.C.
8. December 5 Graham Hastings, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Beale. b.1839. M.P. South Ayrshire (Lib) 1906-1918
2. Foote. b.1848. Recorder of Exeter since 1899. Author of *Private International Law* (5th ed.1925)
4. Alexander. b.1842. President, Jewish Board of Deputies. "As a junior he was one of the busiest members of the Chancery Bar; as a leader he did not possess the qualities that make for success." (57 L.J. 156)
8. Hastings. b.1830.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Sir Malcolm McIlwraith, K.C.M.G., K.C.
2. Sir George Lowndes, K.C.S.I., K.C.
3. Owen Thompson, K.C.
4. James F.W. Galbraith, K.C.
5. Arthur F.C.C. Luxmoore, K.C.
6. Alfred Adams
7. Alfred Ravenscroft Kennedy, K.C.
8. Frederick Temple Barrington Ward, K.C.

¹ Copies of the menu, seating plan and sample invitation are held in the Archives: G1b.

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Council held on January 11th, 1923. [p. 343]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Frederick Temple Barrington Ward, K.C. [*pp.* 333, 345]

Read a Report on the Fire Appliances in the Inn dated 30th December 1922 from the Chief Officer of the London Fire Brigade of which the following is an extract.

"The fire protection [*sc.* in the Inn] consists of ground and post hydrants, a hose reel, 50 lengths of leather and rubber lined canvas hose and a few leather buckets, the whole of which has been neglected.

"The hose is impoverished and unfit for use. The watchmen available nightly would be, in my opinion, very little use in case of an outbreak of fire, as I understand each would have about a quarter of a mile to go for the other.

"The hydrants are fitted with L.F.B. pattern round thread. The spindle to stop valves is smaller than our standard and would require a small 'T' key to open. The pressure of the post hydrants is 65 lbs. on ground level, but their position is not indicated."

The Chief Officer goes on to make a number of recommendations which were referred to the Building Committee with power to act. [*pp.* 346, 347]

"Ordered that notices to Benchers be typed in lieu of being printed."¹ [*p.* 348]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of George Carter, late Second Butler, a pensioner of this Society, on 19th December 1922, aged 80." [*p.* 348]

"Sir Arthur Underhill reported that Mr. H.W. Simkinson had written to him offering as a gift to the Society the service of glass which had been specially bought for the luncheon to Queen Victoria and Prince Albert on the occasion of the opening of Lincoln's Inn hall in 1845. This glass had been the property of Mr. H.W. Simkinson's grandfather who was Treasurer in 1845. Ordered that the gift be accepted and that the thanks and appreciation of the Masters of the Bench be conveyed to Mr. Simkinson." [*pp.* 348, 349]

Council held on January 31st, 1923. [p. 354]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"Ordered that each Bencher be entitled to invite one guest on any Sunday evening during dining term, but that the number of guests on any one evening be

¹ This coincided with the acquisition by the Treasury Office of its first typewriter and Roneo duplicator. The guarantee, dated January 15, 1923, for the latter is still preserved in the archives: (C3c23/1/14).

not more than ten; the ordinary dinner to be served (without champagne) and the charge for the guest to be 10/6 ..." [p. 357]

"Upon the motion of the Dean of the Chapel: Ordered that the Very Revd. The Dean of Exeter be re-appointed Preacher for a further term of three years from 25th December 1922 on the same terms as before ..." [p. 357]

"A special Committee was appointed to consider and report as to what should be done to make the services of the Chapel more attractive and useful, and to consider and report on the arrangements as to the appointment of a Preacher ..." [p. 357]

"The Dean of the Chapel reported the recommendation of the Chapel committee that the 300th Anniversary of the consecration of the Chapel be commemorated by a special service to be held on Ascension Day 10th May at 4.30 p.m. Ordered that the recommendation of the Chapel Committee be adopted: all arrangements in connection with this service to be left to the Chapel Committee." [p. 358]

Ordered the appointment of a Committee consisting of five Benchers to compile and arrange for selected gratuitous publication in suitable form a record of the recent Quincentenary Celebrations, with authority to lay to the charge of the Inn a sum not exceeding £150. [p. 358]

Adjourned Council held on February 27th, 1923. [p. 361]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Arthur Horatio Poyser, K.C. [pp. 358, 364]

The following communication from Mr. H.T. Whitaker, the Local Director of Barclays Bank, High Street, Oxford, as to the position of W.M. Goodenough, a student of the Society was read and the explanation it contained was accepted.

"We understand from Mr. W.M. Goodenough, who is reading for the Bar, that some difficulty has arisen with regard to his going in for his examination owing to his presence here.

"Mr. W.M. Goodenough is, as you probably know, the son of our Chairman, Mr. F.C. Goodenough,¹ and as he was lately at the University and lives in the neighbourhood, he came to the local head office in this district, as the most convenient place at which to acquire a knowledge of the work of Local Director of the Bank. These duties are, of course, not of a clerical nature, and though in accordance with the rules of the Bank, a nominal salary is paid, Mr. Goodenough is not here or at the Cornmarket St. Local Head Office as a clerk in the ordinary sense at all." [p. 362]

"A communication from Percy H.B. Hunt, Esq., as to his son being engaged in trade whilst a student of this Society was read: Ordered that he be informed that if his son engages in trade whilst a student he runs the risk of

¹ See *post*, p. 288.

objection to his Call. No undertaking can be given with regard to what the Masters of the Bench may do in the future." [pp. 362, 362]

Ordered that the question of inserting names accidentally omitted from the War Memorial be re-considered by the War Memorial Committee with instruction to consider and report to the Bench whether it be possible to include the omitted names without destroying the architectural merits of the Memorial. [p. 364]

"Ordered that a Committee consisting of [three named Benchers] be appointed to consider and report to the Bench how the election for a candidate for the Bench should proceed when there is only one candidate, with an instruction that a vote be taken and this vote be by ballot, and that the Committee should consider and report to the Bench what alterations (if any) should be made in the Rules generally." [p. 364]

"An application from the Central Press Photos Ltd. for permission to take photographs of the interiors in the Inn was granted."¹ [p. 365]

Adjourned Council held on March 20th, 1923. [p. 366]

Thirty-three benchers present.

"Ordered that the bust of Sir Francis Henry Goldsmid² which is at present behind the 'Peterson Memorial Drawings' be placed opposite the bust of the late Mr. Justice Maule in the inner portico." [p. 368]

"A communication from the Chairman of the Hospitals of London Combined Appeal was read and its consideration postponed until the views of the other Inns could be ascertained." [p. 368]

Council held on April 10th, 1923. [p. 369]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Read the Report of the Council of Legal Education dated 1st March 1923 which dealt with requests from the Colonial, Indian and Foreign Offices that the requirements for qualifications for call to the Bar of those exercising or about to exercise judicial office in distant parts of the Empire be relaxed. The following extracts are taken from the Report.

"The Council hold that it would be wrong for them to accept any proposals that would in any material degree lower the standard of efficiency which the present Regulations seek to retain for the status of a member of the English Bar. It would be unfortunate that there should be a second quality barrister in the public service exercising judicial functions abroad, and a higher quality barrister not in the public service possibly practising before him . . .

"The council would therefore reject any proposal which would affect the educational qualification of candidates for admission to the Bar as tested by examination. They would also reject any proposal to cut down

¹ Contrast, *ante*, pp. 87, 89.

² 1808-1878. Bust presented in 1879: see 5BB.217.

unconditionally the existing number of terms to be kept before Call. They attach great importance to the opportunity given during this preliminary period by dining in Hall, use of Libraries and Common Rooms, frequenting the Courts and other sources of professional association, of becoming imbued with the traditions of professional and judicial conduct which gives distinction to British Justice"

The Council goes on to recommend a general dispensation of four terms, adding

"If such a dispensation were granted only on condition that the applicant had read in chambers for a year with an approved practising barrister, the Council think that there could be little objection to it on the ground of interfering with the efficiency of the training. Many would consider the year in chambers as more than an equivalent for the terms not kept"

The Council of the Inn Ordered that the Report be referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar accompanied by the following reservations of Mr. Cunliffe Q.C. and Sir Arthur Underhill.

"We have signed the above report with considerable hesitation, because it appears to us to be impossible to justify the concession of special facilities to persons who are exercising or about to exercise judicial functions which we are not prepared to extend to others who before being permitted to take upon themselves such functions have either by law or custom to serve for a long period at the Bar. In addition to this, it appears to us to be wrong in principle to confer upon persons in the service of the Crown the prestige which is still attached to the degree of Barrister when their training has not been equal to that which we impose upon the general class of students.

"We are, however, strongly of opinion that it is highly desirable in connection with Call to the Bar, that men should read in Chambers in addition to passing the prescribed examinations. If, therefore, the exemption suggested in the above report were not confined to the class named, but were made applicable (either with or without the sanction of the Benchers of his Inn) to every student, we should regard it with less apprehension than we now feel. Generally, we cannot agree with the assumption, which seems to underlie these applications, that a competent Barrister, and still less a competent judicial officer, can be made in one year. A hurried passing of examinations alone, without several years intercourse with the profession is not sufficient." [pp. 371-376]

Read the Report of the Special Committee appointed to consider suggested alterations in the Rules for the Election of Benchers which was adopted as amended [p. 377]

Council held on May 7th, 1923. [p. 381]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Read the report of the Under Treasurer of the due publication to the Bench of Frederick Temple Barrington-Ward K.C. and Arthur Horatio Poyser K.C. [p. 383]

Read the following communication from Lord Stamfordham on behalf of H.M. The King, dated 18th April 1923.

"I have received and submitted to the King your letter of the 17th instant, informing His Majesty as a Bencher of the Society, of the special service to be held in Lincoln's Inn Chapel on the 10th May in celebration of the tercentenary of the consecration of the building, for which I am commanded to express His Majesty's thanks.

"The King will be in Italy on the date in question." [pp. 383, 384]

The Right Hon. Lord Justice Warrington made his financial statement for the year of his treasurership ending 10th January 1923. He reported that the accounts might be regarded as distinctly satisfactory in that they showed a great improvement on those of the previous year, and still more on those of two years ago. After meeting all expenditure, including heavy items of exceptional expenditure, such as that involved by the Quincentenary Celebrations, there was an appreciable balance on the right side. This compared with a considerable loss in the previous year. . . . He asked the Council to adopt a proposal by the Under Treasurer, recommended by the Finance Committee, that the credit balance on the year should be transferred to a separate account at the Bank to form the basis of a Reserve Fund to meet extraordinary expenditure and that the credit balance in any future year should be added to this Fund.

The Council adopted the proposal. [pp. 385, 386]

Read and adopted the report of the Reading in Chambers Committee, dated 19th April 1923, that Upon consideration of an application from Alfred Thompson Denning to read in the Chambers of H. O'Hagan, Esq., of 4 Brick Court, Temple, the Committee resolved to advise the Council to grant Mr. Denning fees for 6 months and to consider continuing another 6 months at the end of the first period. [p. 386]

"A recommendation of the Building Committee that the arch under the Chapel be re-erected as part of a pointed arch was approved subject to reference to the Architect and the Dean of the Chapel." [p. 386]

"Upon the Motion of the Hon. Sir Malcolm Macnaghten K.B.E., K.C., M.P.

that the Treasurer be requested to ascertain from Gray's Inn whether that Inn has recently made a call to the Bar otherwise than in accordance with the Consolidated Regulations

after discussion, It was Resolved, on an amendment moved by the Right Hon. Lord Wrenbury

that before any other step be taken, the Treasurer be desired to consult with the Lord Chancellor on the situation." [pp. 386, 387]

"Upon a reference from the Library Committee regarding the reproduction of old photographs of Lincoln's Inn, it was resolved that seven of these photographs be reproduced, as proposed by the Librarian." [p. 287]

Council held on May 29th, 1923. [p. 388]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

The Petition of S.C. Lazarus to be allowed to read in a solicitor's office for one month, six months previous to call to the Bar was refused. [p. 389]

The Treasurer gave an account of his interview with the Lord Chancellor in reference to the Call to the Bar of the Hon. James M. Beck, Solicitor General to the United States of America, by Gray's Inn. The Lord Chancellor stated that what moved Gray's Inn to call Mr. Beck was that the U.S.A. Government, being a party to an appeal pending before the Privy Council from a Canadian judgment, were anxious that Mr. Beck should appear for them in the case. The Privy Council, though most desirous of meeting the wishes of the U.S.A., found after careful inquiry and discussion, in which the Law Officers of the Crown took part, that this was impossible, unless Mr. Beck was then an English Barrister. Mr. Beck was then an Honorary Bencher of Gray's Inn and Gray's Inn were asked if they could see their way to call him, which Gray's Inn eventually did, although a considerable and influential minority voted against the proposal. The Lord Chancellor added that the result had been received with very great satisfaction in the U.S.A.¹ and he was anxious that Lincoln's Inn should take no action that could possibly be construed as an attack upon Gray's Inn or as in any way exhibiting an unfriendly feeling towards either Mr. Beck or the United States.

The Treasurer then suggested, with the assent of Sir Malcolm Macnaghten, that the resolution on the paper should be withdrawn and the following resolution which he thereupon proposed adopted in its place:

"That in view of the recent Call to the Bar by Gray's Inn of Mr. Beck and the previous Call by the same Inn of Mr. Hughes, the following question be referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar, viz: In what circumstances and subject to what conditions it shall be permissible (if at all) to call anyone to the Bar otherwise than in accordance with the present Consolidated Regulations; and that the Treasurer be requested to invite Gray's Inn to concur with Lincoln's Inn in making this reference."

After a short discussion of some of its terms this resolution was carried unanimously without a division. [pp. 391, 392]

The Under Treasurer reported that on Ascension Day last, 10th May 1923, a special service was held in the Chapel, at 4.30 p.m. to celebrate the tercentenary of the consecration of the Chapel which took place on Ascension Day 22nd May 1623. At the consecration, the then Dean of St. Paul's, Dr. John Donne, preached the sermon: at the tercentenary the sermon was preached by the present Dean of St. Paul's, Dr. W.R. Inge. [p. 392]

¹ The case was *U.S.A. v. Motor Trucks Limited* [1924] A.C.196. The hearing lasted five days in June and July 1923. Mr. Beck is reported as replying at length upon the facts. The appeal of the United States was successful.

Council held on June 18th, 1923. [p. 401]

Twenty Benchers present.

Read and adopted the Report of the Colonial Office Deposits Joint Committee, dated 4th June, 1923. The Committee made the following recommendations.

1. That each Inn should reserve to its governing body power to dispense with the rule requiring the deposit of £100 from all students who are not members of an English, Scotch, Irish or Welsh University, in all cases in which it is considered that special circumstances justify such a course.
2. That the proposal made by the Secretary of State for the Colonies that in the case of students from New Zealand applying for admission to any one of the Inns of Court, a bond in the sum of £50 executed by the High Commissioner for New Zealand be accepted in lieu of the bond for that amount by two sureties hitherto required by the Inns, be agreed to. [p. 403]

Read a communication from Gray's Inn forwarding a Report to the Pension of that Inn concerning the Call of Mr. Beck, the Solicitor General of the U.S.A., to the Bar, and suggesting the appointment of a Special Joint Committee to consider and report as to the principles and conditions under which it ought to be deemed proper to call persons to the Bar otherwise than in accordance with the Consolidated Regulations. The long report contains the following passage.

"The Committee is of opinion, however, that a broad distinction exists between the case of any candidate for call who of his own motion seeks to become a qualified practitioner in our municipal courts or otherwise to engage in the exercise of the legal profession and the case of a Law Officer of a foreign state nominated by his Government in a case or cases of international concern to appear on its behalf before the final Court of Appeal of the Empire. This last mentioned case must, the Committee thinks, be dealt with by way of exception from the Consolidated Regulations."

The Council of Lincoln's Inn Ordered that this Inn adhere to its former Resolution, viz. that the matter be referred to the already existing Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar. [pp. 404-409]

Adopting reports of the Building and Finance Committees, Council authorised the Under Treasurer to make an offer up to £950 for chambers on the second floor of No. 6 New Square, and up to £1300 for chambers on the second and third floors of No. 7 New Square. [p. 411]

The Under Treasurer reported the presentation of a print of Owen Salusbury Brereton¹ by W.H. Quarrell which was accepted with thanks. [p. 412]

¹ 1715-1798. Admitted L.I. 1734. Admitted M.T. 1738. Called M.T. 1738. Re-admitted L.I. 1746. Bencher (L.I.) 1758 (3BB.365). Treasurer 1776 (4BB.1). Recorder of Liverpool 1742-1798 (DNB).

Adjourned Council held on July 17th, 1923. [p. 415]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

John Westley Manning, K.C. [*pp.* 410, 416]

The following communication from T.J. Methold Esq., "I enclose a cheque for £10. I was in hopes that this subscription had ceased as I had no demand for it last year," was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report as to whether any alteration should be made in the rule as to annual payment of £5 commons by Benchers.¹ [*p.* 416]

Upon the recommendation of the Library Committee it was Ordered that additional lamps be supplied in the Library at a cost not exceeding £20. The Librarian and the Under Treasurer to consult [an] electrician to consider the question of reflectors. [*p.* 419]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1923. [p. 420]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Right Hon. Viscount Morley O.M.

Approved the following report of the Building Committee

"Upon consideration of the purchase of Mr. Humphry's chambers on the 2nd, 3rd and 4th floors at No. 4 New Square: it was resolved to recommend to the Council the proposed arrangements viz. £3750 to purchase freehold, Mr. Humphry to be tenant at £200 per annum as long as he chooses, he to pay tenants repairs, rates &c." [*p.* 425]

"The Under Treasurer reported that on the night of 13th/14th September at about 1 a.m., the chambers of Mr. Darlington on the first floor of No. 6 Stone Buildings were discovered to be on fire. Notice was immediately given to the London Fire Brigade and two engines were on the scene within a very few minutes. Though the fire was blazing and had already destroyed much woodwork, the skilful efforts of the Brigade subdued it within 20 minutes and incidentally did little damage by water. One corner of a room was burnt out to the brick-work, but the damage though considerable was not of a serious character. That the destruction was not greater was a tribute to the fire resisting quality of the buildings. The insurance claim has been agreed." [*pp.* 425, 426]

"A vote of thanks to the Attorney General (The Right Hon. Sir Douglas McGarel Hogg, K.C., M.P.) was passed unanimously by the Benchers present for his gift of a haunch of venison, which was about to be served at dinner this evening." [*p.* 426]

¹ See *post*, p. 208.

Council held on November 2nd, 1923. [p. 427]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Officers for 1924. [pp. 431, 432]

Treasurer: Hon. Mr. Justice Eve.

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence.

Dean of the Chapel: Sir John Butcher, Bart., K.C., M.P.

Keeper of the Black Book: Charles Elliott Edward Jenkins, K.C.

Master of the Walks: Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C.

Ordered that permission be given to the Rev. Vernon Faithfull Storr, M.A., Canon of Westminster, to use the pulpit of Lincoln's Inn Chapel for the delivery of his Warburton Lectures. [p. 433]

Upon an application from two women Barristers to be allowed to bring women guests on Guest Nights: Ordered that women Barristers be allowed on Guest Nights to invite women guests but not male guests. [p. 434]

Council held on November 26th, 1923. [p. 439]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Read and adopted the Report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar, dated 23rd October 1923. On the reference relating to the call to the Bar of Mr. Beck, the Solicitor General of the United States of America by Gray's Inn, the Joint Committee reported as follows.

1. Before the Consolidated Regulations were adopted by the Inns there was, so far as we know, no limitation upon the power of each Inn to call to the Bar any male person whom it thought fit.
2. The Consolidated Regulations represent a compact between the Inns by which each is bound to the others. As to all matters therefore which are dealt with by the Regulations, no Inn is in our opinion entitled to depart from them except with the consent of the other Inns.
3. The case of the Royal Family has always been tacitly treated as an exception, and we think that it should continue to be treated as outside the Consolidated Regulations. Subject to this, we are of opinion that no one should be called to the Bar otherwise than in accordance with the Regulations. [p. 442]

Read the Report of the Special Chapel Committee appointed to consider and report what should be done to make the services of the Chapel more attractive and useful, and to consider and report on the arrangements as to the appointment of a Preacher. The first part of the report deals at some length with the appointment of a Preacher. On other matters the Committee recommended that

"for the present, except on Sundays assigned to the Warburton Lectures, the two central front rows of pews only be reserved for Benchers, and that only the two central rows of pews immediately behind these be reserved for Barristers which would allow the general public to be brought forward."

After discussion it was Ordered that the Report be recorded and brought up for consideration before the expiration of the present Preacher's term of office; the recommendation as to seating to be adopted. [*pp.* 443, 444]

Read and adopted a recommendation of the Finance Committee that Benchers who are senior in standing on the Bench to the Treasurer be exempted from the annual payment of £5, paying only for such dinners as they attend. [*pp.* 444, 445]

The Master of the Walks made a report on behalf of the Garden Committee with reference to the four Ailanthus trees in New Square. He pointed out the harmful effect of these trees on the side beds of the garden, a damage which would increase steadily as the trees grew bigger, and read a letter on the subject from Mr. W.J. Bean, Curator of Kew Gardens. Mr. Bean advocated the policy (adopted on his advice by the Garden Committee two years previously as a general principle) of confining the tree-growth towards the boundaries, leaving in the centre of the square more open lawn, and suggested that the Ailanthus trees should be replaced by the double-flowered Geam (a cherry known to bloom profusely in London), a course which should add greatly to the beauty of the square in the future. The Master of the Walks stated that he did not desire a division and would not propose at present that the trees be cut down. Mr. Justice Russell expressed himself satisfied with assurance that the trees should not be cut down without further reference to the Council. Mr. Justice Lawrence supported the contentions of the Master of the Walks. Mr. Vaughan Williams spoke in favour of preserving the trees, at any rate for the present.

The consideration of the Report was adjourned generally. [*p.* 445]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1923. [*p.* 447]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

The Report of the War Memorial Committee, dated 5th December 1923, was adopted and the matter referred back to the Committee to settle details. The Report read as follows.

"Upon considering the report of Mr. Simpson, the Architect, on the proposal to add eight additional names to the tablets on the flanking pylons of the Memorial which commemorate the sons of members.

"The Committee recommend to the Council that the bronze plates on the flanking pylons be removed and new plates substituted at a cost of £107.10." [*p.* 451]

Treasurer: H.H. Judge Stanger, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 8 Charles James Mathew, C.B.E., K.C.
2. June 6 Arthur Horatio Poyser, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Mathew. b.1872. Youngest son of Lord Justice Mathew (d.1908). M.P. (Labour) for Whitechapel since 1922.

2. Poyser. b.1845. Called to the Bench on February 27 in place of C.J. Mathew, above. Died while still the junior Bencher. Practised at the Common Law Bar.

John Westley Manning, K.C. was elected in his place.

1924

Council held on January 11th, 1924. [p. 452]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"The petition of H.H. Hearne to be allowed to count a year's instruction by correspondence with a Barrister as equivalent to reading in a Barrister's Chambers in London for one year was refused." [p. 453]

"Read a communication from the Archdeacon of Maidstone announcing that the funeral of the late Henry Wace, Dean of Canterbury, would take place at Canterbury Cathedral on the 12th inst. at 2 p.m. [Two Benchers] were appointed to represent the Bench at the funeral, and a resolution of condolence with the widow and relations of the late Dean was carried unanimously. Sir Frederick Pollock was requested to draft this resolution for approval by the Treasurer, and the Treasurer undertook to convey it to Mrs. Wace, accompanied by a letter from himself expressing the sympathy of the Bench and their appreciation of the late Dean's services to the Society." [p. 454]

Council held on January 31st, 1924. [p. 459]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

A communication dated 30th January 1924 from Ivor Gwyn Jones was read. Its contents in part are as follows.

"I shall be glad to know whether a Barrister may accept an appointment on a Corporation or Public Body where the work entailed in the office is of a legal nature, and where he is also required to conduct cases for these Bodies in Police Courts and County courts."

Ordered that he be informed that he can accept such an appointment on condition that he do not appear as Counsel in any Court. [pp. 460, 461]

"An octagonal table made by Pugin and designed for the great exhibition of 1851 offered to the Society as a gift by Mrs. Fellowes, widow of the late Henry Fellowes,¹ Barrister and a member of this Society, was accepted. A vote of thanks to Mrs. Fellowes was proposed, seconded and passed unanimously. The Under Treasurer was requested to convey to Mrs. Fellowes the grateful acceptance of her gift by the Society and to inform her of the vote of thanks so proposed." [pp. 464, 465]

¹ Evidently misspelt. Henry Fellowes was called to the Bar on June 11th, 1867: 5BB.409.

"The Treasurer reported that the Committee appointed to arrange for the entertainment of the U.S.A. and Canadian Bar Associations had decided to hold a banquet in Westminster Hall on the 25th July, and it was suggested that each host should pay for his own dinner and the dinner of one guest. Apart from this, it was desirable that the Inns should severally extend to our visitors such hospitality as was practicable and might seem appropriate." [p. 465]

"Mr. Lewis Thomas called attention to the troublesome draught in the Hall experienced on such occasions as Guest Night, Grand Day and the Warburton Luncheon. The matter was referred to the Building Committee." [p. 465]

Special Council held on February 20th, 1924. [p. 466]

Sixteen Benchers present.

The following letter, dated 20th February, 1924, from the Attorney General (Sir Patrick Hastings) concerning the American Visit was read.

"The Reception Committee feel that the best form of entertainment that the English Lawyers can offer to the Americans coming over would be a banquet in Westminster Hall, which can only take place on Friday July 25th, and in order to offer some earlier hospitality it is suggested that each Inn should have a dinner to a limited number of guests on the preceding Tuesday, the 22nd July.

"To meet the cost of the dinner in Westminster Hall each Inn and the Law Society is asked to make a contribution of one fifth of a total sum estimated not to exceed £2500.

"As time presses, it would be a great convenience if I could have an intimation from the Inn by Friday next."

After discussion it was Ordered that the proposals of the Reception Committee be adopted with the following provisos:

1. That the other Inns concur.
2. That the individual hosts attending the Banquet in Westminster Hall be charged a reasonable sum for the dinner; and this Bench unanimously recommends that such charge be £2 a head.
3. That the contribution of Lincoln's Inn to the Banquet do not exceed £500.
4. That the number of guests to be entertained by Lincoln's Inn on July 22nd do not exceed 150. [pp. 466, 467]

"A recommendation from the Kitchen Committee that the question of the provision of a lift or lifts from the Kitchen to the Hall be further considered was referred to the Building Committee who are asked to consider also whether the proposed lift accommodation can be made available for luncheon purposes." [p. 467]

"A portrait of Sir Thomas More, offered for sale to the Society by Mr. Charles Newman was declined." [p. 467]

Adjourned Council held on March 11th, 1924. [p. 468]

Thirty Benchers present.

Read a communication from Gray's Inn relating that upon consideration pursuant to adjournment of Clause I of the Report, dated 23rd October 1923, of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar, it was Ordered that the Clause be not adopted. [pp. 470, 471]

Read the following Report of the Library Committee dated 10th March 1921:

"It was resolved to purchase for £20 the note books of Sir¹ John Glanville,² Justice of the Common Pleas, 1598-1600, and his son, Sir John Glanville,³ serjeant at law.

"The table presented by Mrs. E.H. Fellows to be placed in the Library and covered with a sheet of plate glass 1/4 inch thick and a silver plate to be placed thereon recording the name of the giver and in whose memory the presentation has been made. Another silver plate to be placed on the other side recording that the table was designed by Pugin for the Exhibition of 1851." [p. 471]

"The Treasurer reported a communication from Gray's Inn announcing that that Society proposed to give a Garden Party to members of the American and Canadian Bar Association on the afternoon of Monday July 21st. Resolved: that a similar party be given by Lincoln's Inn on the same afternoon and that steps be taken to issue the invitations conjointly with Gray's Inn." [p. 472]

"The Under Treasurer reported that lifehold chambers on the basement and ground floors of No. 3 Stone Buildings have fallen in to the Society." [p. 472]

"The Under Treasurer reported the death of F.H. Brown late supernumerary porter and a pensioner of this Society. A communication from the widow was referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 472]

Adjourned Council held on April 8th, 1924. [p. 474]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Read the following communication, dated 12th March 1924, from the General Council of the Bar addressed to the Benchers of the Four Inns of Court:

¹ Mistakenly stated to have been knighted: see Sainty, *The Judges of England 1272-1990* (1993) p. 74.

² (1542-1600) Bencher, 1587; serjeant, 1589: 2BB.3, 11. The work is described as a "Legal note-book arranged alphabetically by subject headings."

³ (1586-1661) Bencher, 1627; serjeant, 1639: 2BB.270, 342. Reports of cases in the Court of King's Bench, Michaelmas 8 James I (1610) to Trinity 9 James I (1611). On this volume see J.H. Baker, *English Legal Manuscripts*, vol. 2 (1978) pp. 126-7.

"The General Council of the Bar finds it necessary to appeal to the Four Inns of Court for an increased annual contribution.

"The present income of the Council is £1000 per annum provided by the Inns of Court; £500 consisting of four equal contributions of £125 each, the remaining £500 being contributed by the Inns in proportion to the number of barristers belonging to the Inn.

"These contributions were fixed in the year 1905, since that time the necessary expenses have considerably and unavoidably increased; for some years past the expenses have exceeded the income, but the Council had a small reserve fund which has now almost disappeared. Every economy is exercised, and considering the varied and extensive work which now falls upon the Council, the establishment expenses are very moderate.

"It may be mentioned that during and since the War the Council at the request of the War Committee of the Four Inns undertook considerable extra duties in connection with the assistance of demobilised barristers; the expense of this work amounted to about £350. The Inns promised to consider any application for a contribution towards this expense. A copy of the last Annual Statement is appended from which it will be seen that the total income including the rents received from sub-letting is about £1100, while the expenditure is nearly £1300.

"The Council ventures to request a further contribution from the Inns and suggests that it should be in the form of an additional £100 from each Inn. This would leave a small margin which is desirable in view of the fact that the salaries of the Council's staff are low, and it may be found desirable in the near future to raise them."

"Ordered that the request be acceded to subject to the agreement of the other Inns of Court to adopt similar action." [pp. 477, 478]

"A communication from the Minister of Health, relative to the position of Inns of Court in relation to the expenditure of the Metropolitan Asylums Board, was referred to Sir Roger Gregory, the Solicitor to the Society for report." [p. 478]

Council held on April 24th, 1924. [p. 479]

Thirty Benchers present.

Read the following communication, dated 11th April, 1924, from the Hon. Sec. of the Reception Committee for the visit of the American Bar Association.

"At the meeting of the Reception Committee this afternoon, Mr. Kemp, the secretary of the American Bar Association, and Mr. Bennett of the Canadian Bar Association, were present. The proposed programme of events was fully discussed.

"It appears that 1000 American and 225 Canadian lawyers are coming over. With their wives and families the total number will be 2300 or thereabouts.

"It was originally agreed, as the Masters of your Bench will remember to give a dinner in Westminster Hall, and that each of the Inns and the Law Society was to give a dinner in their respective Halls in addition....

"It is found to be impracticable to carry this arrangement out. Neither Westminster Hall nor the Inns of Court and the Law Society could accommodate the lawyers coming. Some would of necessity have to be left out, and this might lead to much heart-burning. The Committee came to the conclusion that the project would have to be remodelled.

"It was unanimously decided to abandon the proposed dinner in Westminster Hall, and in substitution the Inns of Court and the Law Society should be asked to give a second dinner each. By such an arrangement all the visiting lawyers (and a proper proportion of hosts) could be entertained on equal footing.

"The Committee agreed that this was the best proposal to make, and I was asked to place it before you for the decision of the Masters of the Bench. ..."

Resolved that a Committee consisting of the Officers of the Inn be appointed with power to deal with all matters arising thereon including the question of a Garden Party." [pp. 480, 481]

Council acceded to a request from The Auctioneers and Estate Agents Institute of the United Kingdom to hold a Garden Party in the gardens of Lincoln's Inn in conjunction with the opening on 3rd September 1924 of their new premises then in course of erection on the north east corner of Lincoln's Inn Fields. [p. 482]

The motion of the Treasurer "that the Lord Advocate for Scotland, the Rt. Hon. H.P. MacMillan K.C. be invited to become a member of the Bench" was Ordered to stand over sine die, information having been privately received that the Right Honourable gentleman was likely to accept a previous and similar invitation from the Inner Temple. [p. 483]

The Under Treasurer reported the death by accident of Frank Anscombe a painter on the building staff of the Society and stated that the Society was under no liability for the accident. [p. 483]

"The Under Treasurer reported that a burglar, the centre of whose activities appeared to be Lincoln's Inn, had recently been caught in the act of attempted house-breaking. He had dropped into a deep area, north of Stone Buildings, and skilfully cut a pane of glass out of a window leading into the premises of the United Law Clerks Society, occupying a basement set at 2 Stone Buildings. A laundress had given the alarm and two policemen had trapped the man in the area and arrested him. At his house was found a valuable clock recently stolen from the Chambers of E.J. Schuster Esq. K.C., at 14 Old Square. The man has since been committed for trial." [p. 483]

Council held on May 26th, 1924. [p. 489]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

"A presentation of silver plate, the wedding gift of his fellow Benchers was made to Mr. Evan Lewis Thomas K.C.¹ by the Treasurer." [p. 489]

Read the following communication, dated 20th May 1924, from Brij Mohan Jolly.²

"My people are businessmen in India and we are now extending it to the West and with that end in view have secured a stall at the British Empire Exhibition. They have asked me to manage their London Branch and I shall be glad if you will kindly grant me the permission to do so before I accept. I may assure you that this will not interfere with my studies in any way."

Ordered that he be allowed to keep the stall at the Wembley Exhibition. [p. 491]

Read communications from Gray's Inn and the Middle Temple agreeing to the request of the General Council of the Bar for an additional annual allowance of £100 from each Inn, and from the Inner Temple in the following terms.

"It was Ordered that this Bench [sc. of the Inner Temple], although of the opinion that the expenditure of the Bar Council is already in excess of what is justifiable, is willing to make a grant of £100 for this year only.

"It was Ordered further that the Treasurer be asked to communicate with the Treasurers of the other Inns with a view to the consideration of the expenditure of the Bar council." [p. 493]

Read the following report of the Finance Committee, dated 22nd May 1924 concerning the Ministry of Health's Bill 1920 and the Metropolitan Asylums Board:

"Upon consideration of a drafted memorandum prepared by the solicitors of the Four Inns of Court as to a contribution towards the Metropolitan Asylums Board, the Committee resolved to recommend to the Council that the suggestion of appointing two members of the Bench to confer with representatives of the other Inns be adopted. The attendance of the respective Under Treasurers at the meetings of any such Committee to be secured if possible." Ordered that [two named Benchers] be appointed to represent this Inn upon such joint committee. [pp. 495, 496]

Read the following communication from the Council of Legal Education:

"At a meeting of the Council held 30th April 1924. Resolved that the Report of the Finance Committee be adopted and that a pension of £600 a year be paid to Mr. W. Blake Odgers K.C. from Michaelmas next in the event of his resigning his office of Director of Legal Studies at that date, subject to the approval of the Inns of Court."³

¹ 1859-1935. Bencher 1912. Treasurer 1934.

² Admitted November 21, 1921, aged 18.

³ He died on December 16, 1924.

Ordered that this Inn do approve the resolution of the Council of Legal Education. [p. 497]

Read the following communication from the Inner Temple relative to the visit of the American Bar Association. It was Ordered by that Inn's governing body on 13th May 1924

"that as the idea of the Westminster Banquet has been abandoned and the Inns of Court will thereby save, this Inn should contribute a sum not exceeding £150, if it should prove to be necessary, for the proposed reception at the House of Lords on condition that the other Inns agree to do the same."

Ordered that the contribution be agreed to by Lincoln's Inn. [pp. 497, 498]

"An application on behalf of the Harvard Law Association for the use of the Hall on Thursday 24th July 1924 for their annual meeting and lunch was granted." [p. 498]

Upon consideration of an invitation to the Bench of a member of the Inner Bar consequent upon the death of John Cutler K.C.

The following having been proposed:

His Honour Judge Hugh Murray Sturges K.C.
William Searle Holdsworth Esq., K.C., D.C.L.
Gerald Berkeley Hurst Esq., K.C.

The Treasurer moved that Rule 4 of the Rules for Invitation to the Bench be suspended to enable Mr. Holdsworth to be invited.

John Eustace Harman Esq., moved that the same rule 4 be suspended to enable Judge Sturges to be invited.

Ordered that Rule 4 be suspended to enable either Mr. Holdsworth or Judge Sturges to be invited, and that the consideration of Mr. Hurst be postponed to the next Council. [p. 499]

"His Honour Henry Yorke Stanger K.C. reported on the finances of the Society for the year ending 10th January 1924. He stated that the accounts for the year in question were satisfactory showing a considerable profit after all expenditure had been met. This improvement was both welcome and very necessary as the Society had suffered considerable losses during the latter half of the War and up to the 10th January 1922." [p. 499]

"The Treasurer called attention to letters received by him from Lord and Lady Carson with reference to the Rockefeller Foundation Gift, British Endowment Appeal. Ordered that they be referred to the Finance Committee to report." [p. 500]

Read the following communication from Mrs. Helen Lyons, dated 22nd May 1924:

"Lincoln's Inn Hall was built by my Grandfather Philip Hardwick in 1843, but the design was due to my Father, Philip Charles Hardwick who was one of the firm at that time. After my Mother's death a large portfolio of his

plans and drawings came to me, amongst them was the water colour sketch of Lincoln's Inn Hall which I am offering to the Benchers. Attached to the sketch was a note in my Mother's handwriting saying that the sketch had been done by my Father and was of Lincoln's Inn Hall."

Ordered that the presentation be accepted and that the Treasurer write to the donor a letter of thanks. [*pp.* 500, 501]

Council held on June 17th, 1924. [p. 502]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

William Searle Holdsworth, K.C.

The Under Treasurer reported the death of the Right Hon. Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, G.C.M.G., an Honorary Bencher of the Society. Resolved that the Treasurer be desired to write on behalf of the Bench to Mrs. Wilmot, Sir Mortimer Durand's daughter. . . . [*p.* 504]

Upon the motion of the Treasurer Ordered that the Right Hon. Lord Alness (Lord Justice Clerk) be invited to become a member of the Bench with precedence immediately after the Right Hon. Lord Buckmaster. [*p.* 504]

The Under Treasurer reported the death of Mrs. Mantell late a pensioner of the Society. [*p.* 504]

Special Council held on June 30th, 1924.

Three Benchers present, appointed to consider certain charges against a Barrister of the Society.

"The members of the Council present having read and considered the charge made by Mr. J.M. St. Yates and Major E.E. Turner against Mr. Harcourt Gladstone Malcolm, O.B.E., K.C.¹ and the affidavits of Mr. Yates and Major Turner, and having examined Mr. Harcourt Gladstone Malcolm personally.

"It was unanimously resolved that Mr. Harcourt Gladstone Malcolm has not been guilty of conduct unbecoming the profession or a gentleman, or of any professional misconduct." [*p.* 512]

Council held on July 7th, 1924. [p. 515]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Inner Temple:

"At a Bench Table held 1st July 1924 It was Ordered that it is desirable that the Four Inns should agree as to the grant to be made to the General Council of the Bar and that for the purpose of arriving at a decision acceptable to all the Inns the Treasurer be requested to ask the other Inns to agree to the appointment of a joint committee consisting of two members from each Inn."

¹ 1875-1936; called 1899. He lived and held public offices in the Bahamas.

The Council appointed two Benchers to act on the joint committee as proposed. [p. 518]

Upon consideration of an invitation to the Bench from the Inner Bar consequent upon the death of Lord Cozens-Hardy K.C., Henry¹ Sansome Preston K.C. and Gerald Berkeley Hurst K.C. were proposed. Two polls were taken but neither candidate obtained the majority of votes necessary for election. [p. 520]

"An offer by the Rev. C. Erskine Clarke of a portrait as a gift to the Society of Charles Clarke, Barrister of Lincoln's Inn, A.D. 1723 to 1750 was declined with thanks on the ground that no space was available for its disposal." [p. 520]

"A suggestion that the Holborn Borough Council be asked to plant trees to screen the new urinal erected in Lincoln's Inn Fields was approved." [p. 520]

THE WAR MEMORIAL BOWL

The second guest day in Trinity Term 1924: 3rd July 1924.

When the Masters of the Bench and their guests, the Barristers and their guests and the Students had assembled in Hall for dinner and were all standing awaiting the saying of Grace, the Treasurer (The Hon. Mr. Justice Eve) moved from his place and walking to the Barristers table and standing opposite the middle mess thereof spoke as follows:

"Ladies and gentlemen. I crave your attention for the few moments necessary to enable me to perform a small act of great interest and some significance.

"On the inspiring and imperishable bead roll of those who fought and died in the Wars are inscribed the familiar names of many who from time to time sat at this table. Those who enjoyed their presence in the past and in the present lament their absence have been minded to enrich this noble Hall with a memorial of their dead comrades—not to remind us of them for that we should ever forget them were impossible—but as a visible acknowledgment of the debt we owe to them and a silent expression of the abiding affection with which we remember them.

"To me has been deputed the unique honour of placing this beautiful bowl—the handiwork of a great craftsman and a true artist—in the position chosen for it."

The Treasurer took the bowl and having placed it upon the centre of the table, continued:

"It has been Ordered and Ordained that whenever the bowl is placed here two seats on each side of the table—representing one mess—shall always be left unoccupied. By these means its beauty will never be concealed, and all who run may read therein much that is in harmony with the life and death of each of the valiant ones whose names are inscribed thereon.

¹ "Herbert" in Admissions Register; *post*, p. 219; and elsewhere.

"Tonight they be silent and at rest. God bless them whereso'er in this wide universe they be."

Master T.R. Hughes K.C., Chairman of the Bar Council thereupon moved that a record of the proceedings should be entered in the Black Books to which the Treasurer responded, "So be it." [pp. 513, 514]

VISIT OF THE CANADIAN AND AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATIONS

In the early part of the week ending 19th July 1924 a considerable number of members of the Canadian Bar Association with their wives and other relatives arrived in England to join with the English lawyers in welcoming the members of the American Bar Association who were due to arrive in England on the 19th. In order to give the Canadian visitors an opportunity of becoming acquainted with the Inn and its members and with others with whom they would be brought into association during their visit the Benchers invited them and their ladies and a number of others to an afternoon party on Friday the 18th. The guests were received on arrival at the Hall by the Treasurer and Benchers and their ladies, and the Benchers rooms, the Library and the Chapel were all thrown open for their inspection. Tea and other refreshments were served in the Hall. In the course of the afternoon a photograph of many of those present was taken.

On Monday and Tuesday the 21st and 22nd a banquet was given in the Hall by the English and Canadian lawyers to their American Brethren. On the first evening there were present 81 members of the Inn, 31 Canadians and 148 Americans, and on the second 83 members of the Inn, 32 Canadians and 148 Americans. The Treasurer who presided on each occasion said grace before and after dinner and proposed without comment the toasts of The King and The President of the U.S.A. The only other toasts were those of "Our Guests" and "Our Hosts."

[The toasts were proposed and responded to as follows:

<i>Day</i>	<i>Toast</i>	<i>Proposer(s)</i>	<i>Responder</i>
Monday	Guests	Rt. Hon. H.H. Asquith Hon. N.W. Rowell	Hon. J.M. Beck
	Hosts	Hon. Morsfield Storey	Sir Edward Clarke
Tuesday	Guests	Lord Haldane, L.C. Mr. Louis St. Laurent	Hon. F.W. Lehmann
	Hosts	Hon. Alton B. Parker	Sir Douglas Hogg]

On Wednesday the 23rd Garden Parties were given by this Inn and Gray's Inn between the hours of 3.30 and 7 and were both attended by a very large concourse. The weather was fine and the gardens were looking very attractive. The visitors were received by the Treasurer and other members of the Bench at the foot of the steps leading to the Hall and Library. Refreshments were served in the Hall and the band of the Royal Artillery played in the gardens. Two panoramic photographs of large groups were taken in the course of the afternoon. [pp. 521, 522]

Adjourned Council held on October 13th, 1924. [p. 523]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"A request from the Imperial War Museum asking for a photograph of the silver bowl presented by Barristers of Lincoln's Inn to commemorate the Barristers of this Inn who died in the War was granted." [pp. 526, 527]

"An application from 47th (2nd London) Division for the use of the Old Hall for a series of four lectures was granted subject to suitable dates being arranged with the Under Treasurer." [p. 527]

The following Report of the Finance Committee was read and approved:

"The Committee resolved to present to the Under Treasurer a Gold Cigarette case in recognition of his services on the occasion of the visit of the Canadian and American Bar Associations." [pp. 527, 528]

A request from the Treasury forwarded by the Lord Chancellor for a contribution toward the cost, expected to be £515, of additional bookshelf accommodation in the Bar Library at the Royal Courts of Justice was referred to the Bar Library Joint Committee. [pp. 528, 529]

Ordered that the victory of Lincoln's Inn in the golf competition for the Scrutton cup (hitherto won in three successive years by the Inner Temple) be recorded in the Black Book. [There follows the results of the heats and final from which can be extracted the names of the team from Lincoln's Inn together with their respective handicaps.

Mr. Justice Romer (11) and C. Romer (9)
F.D. Morton (scr.) and Mr. Justice Russell (13)
A.F.C.C. Luxmoore (6) and E.G. Rand (1)
T.R. Hughes (16) and J.W.F. Beaumont (4)
H.S. Preston (12) and C.J. Parton (4)
J. Bradley Dyne (6) and L.F. Potts (12)
S.C. Leech (8) and W. Copping (18)] [pp. 529, 530]

Council held on November 3rd, 1924. [p. 531]

Forty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 504, 527, 538, 539]

Herbert Sansome Preston, K.C.¹

Gerard Moresby Thoroton Hildyard, K.C.

Gerald Berkeley Hurst, K.C., M.P.

Read the following communication from the Bar Library Committee reporting a resolution passed at a meeting held on 24th October 1924:

"Resolved that the plans for the erection of a gallery and bookcases in the Bar Library prepared by H.M. Office of Works be approved, and it be

¹ The father of Cecil Herbert Sansome Preston, of *Preston & Newsom*. C.H.S. Preston was admitted in 1930, aged 21, and died in France in 1939/40: see preface to *Preston & Newsom on Restrictive Covenants* (2nd edition).

suggested to the Four Inns of Court that they contribute the sum of £50 each to the cost thereof estimated to amount to £515."

"Ordered that this Society contribute £50 subject to the other Inns doing the like."¹ [p. 534]

On the 7th October 1924 the Architect to the Society wrote the following letter to the Under Treasurer concerning the Old Hall:

"As requested by the Bench, I have examined this structure with a view to ascertaining what is needed to put it into good repair and improve its present appearance and have the honour to report as follows:

1. In view of its historic interest as the oldest existing structure of Lincoln's Inn, the method to be adopted in re-conditioning it is worthy of careful consideration. Broadly speaking, one of three principles may govern a decision.

- (a) The restoration of the building to its original condition of 1506.
- (b) The acceptance of the mutilations of 1819 as in their way historic, being indications of the taste of the time: and their re-instatement accordingly.
- (c) The execution step by step of a thorough structural repair; preserving what is of interest without rigid attention to archaeological consistency.

2. Method (a) may be dismissed as impracticable, since it would involve the demolition of the south bay added in 1819, be extremely costly, and result only in a more or less successful copy of the original building.

3. Method (b) means that little improvement could be made in its present appearance; moreover, to reproduce the incongruous and now decayed plaster groining of the interior, the false cement window mullions, and other like matters, would perpetuate the legacy of recurrent repairs inherited by the present Bench.

4. I therefore advise that method (c) be adopted, and submit the following proposals for consideration.

As may be seen by the detailed drawings (nos. 1, 2, 3) accompanying this Report, which I have prepared of the structure as now existing, the plaster ceiling of 1819 conceals the original open-timbered roof of 1506, mutilated it is true, but not past restoration without great cost. This I recommend should be opened up and exposed to view.²

The windows are now in very bad condition, being greatly weakened by the cutting away of their stonework to receive plaster mouldings. They could be reconstructed and reglazed and their life be thereby indefinitely prolonged.

The external plastered face of the walls could be exposed. The appearance of the building would thus be much improved, and the cost of periodical painting saved.

The fine screen of 1565 would be cleansed from its coatings of paint, and the cheap modern (and useless) doors, which have been inserted, removed.

¹ They did.

² The dates in this and preceding paragraphs are subject to revision: see *ante*, p. 21.

5. I propose therefore, with the approval of the Bench, to undertake a gradual structural repair of this interesting fabric, carrying out the work by the Society's building staff under the excellent foreman, Mr. Clarke. Such materials only, (worked stones and the like) as are not within their capacity, would be obtained from outside. The slating is completely perished. I suggest that this should be removed and a temporary covering, of ruberoid, or bituminous felt, laid forthwith, in order to keep out wet. This will suffice until the timber-framing of the roof is made ready to receive its permanent covering of tiles such as were originally used. As regards the walls, I advise that a beginning should be made with the North-West window only, and the opinion of the Bench taken before proceeding further. Until a portion has been thus opened out for experimental treatment it is not possible to say definitely how much of the old work remains, and what can consequently be done without too great expense."

Having read the above letter, the Building Committee at its meeting on the 23rd October 1924 resolved to recommend to Council that the Architect be authorised to restore N.W. window and to open up a small portion on N.W. corner in order to ascertain whether it is worth uncovering and to enable him to express an opinion as to the probable cost. Authorised temporary cover for roof; slates to be removed.

Council adopted the report of the Building Committee. [*pp.* 534-537]

The following report of the Commemoration Record Committee was adopted [*p.* 537]

"The Committee recommend that a copy¹ be sent to the guests at the banquet other than members of the Inn and so far as is practicable to all the Canadian and American lawyers who dined in Hall on the two nights in July last. Copies also to be sent to the British Museum, Oxford and Cambridge and other Institutions. This distribution, after providing also for a copy to each member of the Bench, will leave a substantial surplus which the Committee suggest should be left to the Committee to deal with as they may be advised."

Read the following communication from Lady Cozens-Hardy:

"The Lady Cozens-Hardy presents her compliments to Mr. Rowe, and writes to say, the Lord Cozens-Hardy (her husband) having died before he was able to present personally his gift of the picture of his father the late Master of the Rolls, to the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn, she would very much like to do so in his stead, if agreeable to the Benchers²"

"Ordered that the gift be accepted and that the Treasurer be requested to write a letter of thanks to Lady Cozens-Hardy." [*pp.* 537, 538].

Officers for 1925. [*pp.* 539, 540]

Treasurer: Hon. Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Danesfort, K.C.

¹ Of the Commemorative Pamphlet: see Introduction, p. 60; *ante*, p. 200.

² If a portrait of Lord Cozens-Hardy, M.R. was given at this time, it is not now in the possession of the Society. See *post*, p. 628 (1958).

Dean of the Chapel: Charles Edward Elliott Jenkins, K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C.

Master of the Walks: William Henry Upjohn, K.C.

Ordered that all arrears due to the Society up to Midsummer 1924 be collected. [p. 540]

Read the following communication from the Imperial War Museum, dated 20th October 1924.

"Referring to correspondence exchanged on the subject of the Barristers Memorial Bowl, photographs of which you have kindly deposited in the Museum, we venture to encroach still further on your good offices.

"We understand that apart from the above mentioned Memorial there is also a monument at Lincoln's Inn designed by Mr. Simpson. If this is so, we should be glad to know whether it would also be possible for the Museum to secure a record of this Memorial." [p. 540]

Council held on November 25th, 1924. [p. 547]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Read and adopted the following Report of the Library Committee.

"The Committee recommend that the salaries of the Librarians be increased as follows:— The Librarian, Mr. Whitaker, by £100 making his salary £600 per annum. The Assistant Librarian, Mr. Hodgkinson, by £50 making his salary £350 per annum. Increases to take effect as from the 1st January 1925." [p. 553]

"The list of annual donations was referred to the Finance Committee to consider whether the donation to the Barristers Benevolent Association should be increased and if so by what amount." [p. 553]

LIST OF ANNUAL DONATIONS

	£	s.	d.
The Barristers Benevolent Association	100.	0.	0.
The Inns of Court Mission	100.	0.	0.
Charing Cross Hospital	52.	10.	0.
The Royal Free Hospital	52.	10.	0.
The Selden Society	50.	0.	0.
United Law Clerks Society	21.	0.	0.
Rev. W.S. MacGowan, Holy Trinity Church, Kingsway	21.	0.	0.
Rev. E.M. Daniell, Church of St. Anselm and St. Cecilia, Kingsway	21.	0.	0.
The Society of Comparative Legislation	21.	0.	0.
The Charity Organisation society	20.	0.	0.
The Public Dispensary, Clare Market	10.	10.	0.
The Vicar of St. Clement Danes, as Easter Offerings	10.	10.	0.
The Rector of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, as Easter Offerings	10.	10.	0.
The Children's Country Holiday Fund, St. Giles Branch	10.	10.	0.
The Children's Country Holiday Fund, St. Clement Danes, Clare Market and Drury Lane.	5.	5.	0.
	<u>£506.</u>	<u>5.</u>	<u>0.</u>

"The Under Treasurer reported that Chambers at No. 7 New Square are to be sold by auction. Ordered that the matter be referred to the Building Committee with power to act." [p. 554]

Adjourned Council held on December 15th, 1924. [p. 557]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Read the following Report of a meeting held on November 26th of the Building Committee:

"Resolved that the Society do offer the sum of £10,000 for the freehold premises 51 and 52 Carey Street and part of 7 New Square advertised to be offered for sale by auction on the 2nd December next on the terms of the Conditions and Particulars so far as applicable to a sale by private contract—and that Mr. Rowe be authorised to sign a contract as agent for the Society." [p. 559]

Read the following Report of a meeting held on December 9th of the Finance Committee

"The Committee recommend that sufficient 5 p.c. War Loan be sold to pay the £10,000 plus expenses and costs required for the purchase of Chambers adjoining 7 New Square." [p. 559]

Read a recommendation of the Finance Committee that in addition to the subscription of £100 for the year 1925 to the Barristers Benevolent Association the Inn do make a donation of £100. Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence moved and Mr. J.E. Harman seconded that the subscription be raised to £120 in lieu of the special donation recommended. This was carried, and it is Ordered accordingly. [p. 560]

Upon consideration of a communication from Lord and Lady Carson with reference to the Rockefeller Foundation Gift British Endowment Appeal:

It was moved by the Treasurer and seconded by Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence that the original £125 proposed to be subscribed by the Inn be subscribed, notwithstanding that the other Inns refuse to join in the gift.

This was carried unanimously. [p. 560]

Treasurer: Mr. Justice Eve

The following Benchers died during the year

1. March 19 John Cutler, K.C.
2. May 25 Lord Cozens-Hardy, K.C.
3. September 19 James Anstie, K.C.
4. October 2 H.H. Sir Patrick Rose-Innes, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Cutler. b.1839. Professor of Law, King's College, London. Sometime editor, Reports of Patent Cases. Author of work on passing off.

3. Anstie. b.1836. Charity Commissioner 1884–1892. Author of *Colloquies of Common People*.

4. Rose-Innes. b.1853. Recorder of Sandwich and Ramsgate. Contested as Unionist various constituencies 1905–1910. County court judge 1920–1922.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Professor W.S. Holdsworth, K.C.

2. H.S. Preston, K.C.

3. G.M.T. Hildyard, K.C.

4. Gerald B. Hurst, K.C.

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Council held on January 12th, 1925. [p. 561]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Read the Report of the Chairman of the Council of Legal Education to the Inns of Court with reference to the Recommendations of the Council as to filling the office of the Director of Legal Studies. Extracts from the Report, which is dated 18th December 1924, follow.

“The Council of Legal Education have had under consideration the position created by the resignation of the late Director of Legal Studies, Mr. Blake Odgers, K.C.; and have come to the conclusion that an opportunity is afforded to improve the instruction given by the Council as well as the organization of its teaching Staff. They therefore invite the approval of the following proposals of the Inns of Court

“That a head of the Inns of Court School of Law and Director of Legal Studies be appointed with the title of Inns of Court Professor of Law, whose duties shall be:—

1. To give his whole time to the service of the Council subject to such exceptions as the Council might in special circumstances approve.
2. To act as Head and Organiser of the Teaching Staff.
3. To lecture on such subjects as are arranged between himself and the Council.
4. To act as adviser to the Students reading for the Bar—and those just called to the Bar.

That his salary be £1,500 with chambers and clerical assistance.

.....

“The position, however, as to Examination Fees remains, as the Council submit, in an unsatisfactory position. It seems illogical and unbusinesslike that the body who makes the expenditure should not receive the fees imposed and so recoup that expenditure; or that the greater are the numbers examined, and, therefore, the expenses of the Examination, the greater is the profit on Legal Education made by the Inns of Court

It is a system which, it is submitted, may now be reconsidered. It appears to the Council to have many disadvantages, and they have unanimously resolved to recommend to the Inns of Court that for the future the Examination Fees should be retained by the Council. This will leave the Council in a position where they will have a small margin of income over present estimated expenditure—an income solely derived from Students' Fees, with the exception of the fixed contribution of £360 per annum from each Inn. It may be noted that this financial result leaves the Inns in an easier position financially so far as education is concerned than they ever were before the year 1922...."

Ordered that the first proposal contained therein be adopted in principle. The second proposal with reference to Examination Fees, was referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report. [*pp.* 565, 566]

"An application from the Surveyors Institution for the use of the Hall for their Annual Dinner on 17th March when H.R.H. The Prince of Wales would be the guest of the evening. was granted." [*p.* 566]

"The request of Dr. Craster, supported by the Warden of All Souls, that the Lincoln's Inn Library should lend its manuscript No. 104-(114) to the Bodleian Library for certain collation work was granted, and the Treasurer undertook that it should be delivered either to the Warden of All Souls or to Mr. W.S. Holdsworth for safe conveyance and return."¹ [*p.* 566]

Council held on January 30th, 1925. [*p.* 573]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

The Treasurer called the attention of the Bench to suggestions which had been received that a complimentary dinner to be given to the Right Hon. H.H. Asquith, K.C. to celebrate his elevation to the peerage, either by the Inns in combination or by Lincoln's Inn. The opinion of those present was in favour of a dinner to Mr. Asquith by his fellow Benchers, with liberty to each to invite a distinguished guest. The matter was referred to a Committee comprising the Treasurer and three other Benchers for consideration. [*p.* 573]

Read a communication from the Manager of "The Times" asking for a donation to "The St. Pauls Cathedral Restoration Fund". Ordered that One Hundred Guineas be given. [*p.* 575]

Read the Report of a Special Joint Committee of the Four Inns appointed to consider and report upon a request by the Minister of Health to be furnished with the observations of the Masters of the Bench upon a correspondence between the London County Council and him as to the position of the Inns of Court in relation to the expenditure of the Metropolitan Asylums Board. The Report is too long and technical to be set out in full. The following is the concluding paragraph.

¹ See Introduction, *ante*, p. 35.

"The Committee recommend that the Minister of Health be informed that the Inns of Court have no desire to take advantage of the relief that appears to have been given them by the operation of the Act of 1916,¹ and would be willing to come to an arrangement for the contribution by them of a sum of £450 per annum to the expenses of the Metropolitan Asylums Board; but that they do not admit that there is any ground for altering in any other respect the position of the Inns of Court in relation to such expenses and are not prepared to make any such agreement as is suggested by the London County Council in their letter of the 28th March 1924."

Ordered that the Report be adopted. [*pp.* 576–581]

Ordered payment to the Bar Library Committee of £251.2.0. upon the basis of Members in the Law List 1924, viz. L.I. 1989: I.T. 4186: M.T. 2987: G.I. 1088. [*pp.* 584, 585]

"Resolved on the motion of the Treasurer, that the Under Treasurer be allowed the use of the Benchers rooms on the evening of the 8th April for a War Office dinner of about 20 persons." [*p.* 586]

¹ Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1916 (6 & 7 Geo. 5, c. 12) s. 7.

BOOK XLV

Council held on March 3rd, 1925. [p. 1]

Thirty-one benchers present.

Read the report of the Joint Committee on the "Grant to the Bar Council" which recommended

"that the four Inns accede to the suggestion for the additional grant of £100 by each Inn to the Bar Council upon the understanding that when opportunity occurs the matter is to be re-considered."

The report was adopted; and "it was Ordered that an additional contribution of £100 per annum be made by this Inn until further order." [p. 2]

A motion that a bust in marble by Charles Hartwell R.A. of the late Right Hon. Lord Macnaghten be purchased by the Inn was carried unanimously. [p. 3]

"An offer from J.R. Walker Esq. to present to the Society a carved oak bracket bearing the arms of this Society; the bracket having been carved by the late Paley Baildon Esq. and presented by him to J. Douglas Walker Esq. K.C. was accepted and a vote of thanks to Mr. Walker was carried unanimously." [p. 3]

Read the following application from Sir Gerald du Maurier on behalf of the Actors Orphanage for the use of the Gardens and Hall for a Ball.

"You would be doing the Actors' Orphanage—a charity which I take a lively interest in—a very practical turn if you could use your good offices in the way of granting us the use of your gardens and Hall, sometime in the summer months for a Ball.

"Our idea would be to erect a large tent on the big lawn, which would be used for the ball-room. The Hall we should like to use for refreshments. I need not say that we should undertake to protect all the flower beds against damage, and to make good anything that you deem necessary. Further we should be prepared to give part of the proceeds to any Law Charity your Honourable Bench might care to specify."

The application was granted subject to arrangements suitable to the Society being made. It was decided not to take advantage of Sir Gerald's offer to apply part of the proceeds to a Law Charity. [pp. 3, 4]

"A letter was read from the Canadian Bar Association thanking Mr. Justice Eve in very warm terms for his courtesy and kindness in connection

with the entertainment of the Association in England in the summer of last year and announcing his election as an Honorary Member of the Canadian Bar Association. The Council expressed its hearty congratulations to Mr. Justice Eve upon this honour." [p. 4]

Council held on April 21st, 1925. [p. 5]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Under Treasurer of Gray's Inn.

"I am directed by the Chairman of the Joint Committee which recently considered certain correspondence between the Minister of Health and the London County Council with reference to the Inns of Court and the Metropolitan Asylums Board to send you the enclosed copy of a letter addressed to me by the Treasurer and Accountant of the Board. My Chairman hopes that your Bench will regard this letter as indicating a satisfactory settlement of the matters raised by the London County Council.

"With reference to the questions asked in the letter my chairman thinks it may be convenient to say that Gray's Inn will certainly not make any grant in respect of any period earlier than the year 1924-25. Gray's Inn will, if the other Inns of Court approve, make their annual grant of £112.10.0. direct to the Metropolitan Asylums Board and the Chairman sees no reason why the Board should not annually make application to each of the Inns for a similar contribution. . . ."

Ordered that a similar answer to that proposed by Gray's Inn be sent. [pp. 6-8]

Upon the motion of the Treasurer it was Ordered that the following account be recorded in the Black Books.

"On Friday 27th March 1925 a Dinner in Hall was given by the Treasurer, Mr. Justice Lawrence, and Masters of the Bench of this Honourable Society to the Right Hon. the Earl of Oxford and Asquith to celebrate his elevation to the peerage."

[The account goes on to list the names of thirty guests and fifty-two Benchers in addition to the Treasurer who were present. It also listed the names of fifteen who were invited but were unable to be present.]

"The Treasurer received the guests in the Library. The table was set in the body of the Hall. It comprised a long table on the east side with the centre immediately below the King's portrait and five short spurs projecting. A row of students tables was placed close to the west wall of the Hall which was used to assist the service of the dinner and the Benchers tables with the principal pieces of silver displayed thereon, were placed one on either side of the dais." [pp. 8-10]

"Read brokers note for the sale of "£8000 War Stock 1927-1947 which realised £8062 which money had been applied towards the purchase of chambers in or adjoining 7 New Square." [p. 10]

"An offer to sell to the Society oil painted coats of arms from the old Serjeants Hall was declined with thanks."¹ [p. 11]

Council held on May 18th, 1925. [p. 13]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Edward Percival Clarke [pp. 10, 13]

"The Hon. Mr. Justice Eve reported on the finances of the Society for the year ending 10th January 1925. He stated that the accounts for the year in question were highly satisfactory, showing a larger balance on the right side than had been the case for many years past." [pp. 15, 16]

"The Treasurer reported on the condition of the Old Hall and the work that was being undertaken there. He stated that a full report from the Society's Architect would shortly be laid before the Council. In the meanwhile, as a measure of safety, the Building Committee had authorised the heavy plaster ceiling and the woodwork to which it was attached being taken down." [p. 16]

Council held on June 9th, 1925. [p. 17]

Eighteen Benchers present.

Read a communication from Gray's Inn with a copy of a letter sent by them to the Metropolitan Asylums Board which contained the following:

"... it gives me great pleasure to inform you that the Inns of Court have now reached complete agreement with regard to the annual amount to be paid by each of them by way of contribution to the expenses of the Metropolitan Asylums Board..." [p. 17]

"The Under Treasurer was authorised to approach Gray's Inn with a view to obtaining the use of rooms for the lectures of the Council of Legal Education in Hilary Term whilst the Old Hall is being repaired." [p. 18]

"Ordered that the Preacher and his Wife be invited to Luncheon in the Hall on Sunday 28th June and that Benchers and their Ladies be requested to attend, the arrangements to be similar to those for a Warburton Luncheon." [p. 18]

"An application by Alfred Ravenscroft Kennedy Esq. K.C., M.P. on behalf of David Healey for leave to have a fruit stall outside the Old Gateway in Chancery Lane was referred to the Building Committee with power to act."² [p. 19]

Council held on June 29th, 1925. [p. 21]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"Read a communication from Gray's Inn agreeing to provide accommodation for the lectures of the Council of Legal Education during Hilary Term 1926 when the Old Hall will be under repair." [p. 21]

¹ See *post*, pp. 232, 233.

² See Introduction, p. 41, n. 14.

The Report of the Building Committee that they have adopted the following report of the Architect and recommend to the Council to proceed as advised, was read and adopted.

9th June 1925

Lincoln's Inn Old Hall

For some time past the state of this building has caused me anxiety. Repeated fractures of the window glass and other signs of structural movement coupled with a generally unsound condition, led me to fear that deterioration might be in active progress, though hidden from sight by the thickness of stucco and plaster-work applied by the Italian Bernasconi in 1818.

I therefore brought the matter to the attention of the Building Committee in my report of 4th October last,¹ and received their authority to remove some of the coatings of the N.W. portion, with a view to ascertaining the state of the underlying fabric. This has now been done with interesting results.

The condition of the stonework proves to be worse than I had feared; it has been ruthlessly mutilated by hacking away mouldings, and driving large iron nails into the joints to which quantities of string were attached in order to hold the stucco with which it was coated. The stone (which is identified by the Geological Survey Board as being from the upper strata and known as Gatton, Reigate or Merstham stone) has also suffered from its weathered protecting face having been destroyed, and decay has gone on under the stucco. Further, its strength has been dangerously reduced by the treatment above referred to.

The roof, on the other hand, appears to be practically intact; the moulded and arched principals, the moulded purlins, the exceptionally fine curved and trefoiled wind-braces, and the oak rafters, are complete and constitute a fine example of a late fifteenth century roof, which I believe to be unique in design. The members have been greatly strained, and dislocated by overloading. The stout oak trenails of the brace which I have examined in detail are shorn in two by the stress, so that its connection to the principal rafter now depends on two pins only. The woodwork has been attacked by beetle but so far as I can see at present, little structural damage has been done, so that the affected parts can be removed and replaced, and be carefully taken apart and re-formed, after being relieved of the many tons of superfluous material which they now carry.

Owing to the dislocation of the roof and the heavy weight placed upon it, the walls have been thrust out of vertical. The stress diagrams which I have prepared show that the point of instability has been reached in this respect. But, the removal of stucco displays the original brickwork of 1500–1506 in good condition, with its characteristic diaper pattern plainly visible. After removing the weight of the roof, it should be quite possible to restore the walls to verticality by means of jacks and wedges. The buttresses are modern, badly built of stocks with shapeless lumps of stone intermixed. They

¹ See *ante*, pp. 220, 221.

are wider than the original buttresses which have been cut away, and the later ones merely placed against the walls without bonding them thereto, or even following the old brick courses.

The old oak joists of the flooring have been found and they prove to be entirely destroyed by beetles.

In the N.W. bay, a very beautiful internal stone arch with angel corbels has been discovered; the whole being in perfect condition, together with the delicate jamb mouldings and stops. I have also found part of the original wrought iron window-bars, together with portions of the lead comes and ties used in the old glazing.

Although the building is at present unsafe for use and not far from ruinous, there is no doubt that it can be repaired and rendered serviceable at comparatively small expense. Though little of the stonework can, I fear, be re-used, the rest of the material is in a fair condition, and the Society's workmen could supply the necessary labour.

The slating, which was completely perished, has been removed by authority of the Building Committee and a temporary covering substituted pending my report on the fabric and the decision of the Bench as to further procedure. Generally, the life of the work done in 1818 is now at an end.

The recommendation which I have the honour to submit to their Lordships is, that a gradual structural repair of the building should be undertaken by the Society's building staff under my direction. The work is not, in my opinion, such as can be tendered for by contractors with advantage to the Society, moreover, by doing it ourselves we shall save contractors' profits and obtain the benefit of full trade discounts on all goods which it may be necessary to purchase. [pp. 22-25]

Adjourned Council held on July 23rd, 1925. [p. 26]

Thirty Benchers present.

The Building Committee reported the following communications from the Architect

30th June 1925

Lincoln's Inn, Hall and Library

Before arranging to spray these roofs with anti-beetle fluid, I have thought it to the interests of the Inn to consult Professor Lefroy, whose name was given me by the President of the Society of Antiquaries in the letter I laid before the Building committee.

His view proves to be that, where there are no signs of infection it is unnecessary to treat the woodwork; but that a record should be made of its having been examined and note made that it should be again examined in, say, twenty years time.

If, therefore, these two roofs prove to be free of beetle it will be a considerable saving of expense for Professor Lefroy to have examined them; and I have

therefore deemed it within my discretion to ask him to do so at once. If his view is that they may be safely left for the present, I will report to the Building Committee; if otherwise, I will proceed as already instructed.

Chapel

Would it not be well for the Professor to examine this roof also? I have no instructions at present with regard thereto.

8th July 1925

Lincoln's Inn, Timber Roofs

Herewith I send you Professor Lefroy's report on his examination on the roofs of Hall, Library, Chapel and Old Hall. Our decision to consult with him has been fully justified and important expense saved thereby to the Society. I shall, of course, adopt his proposals in dealing with the Old Hall roof and the work is, I assume, covered by the adoption of my report to the Bench.

[Professor Lefroy's report is lengthy. He found no trace of beetle infestation in the roofs of the Great Hall, Library and Chapel. He confirmed its existence in the timbers of the Old Hall and prescribed the proper treatment.]

The Council adopted the recommendations of the Architect. [pp. 26-30]

Read the following communication, dated July 3rd, 1925, from Mr. F. Sydney Eden.

"The renovation of the Old Hall at Lincoln's Inn has reminded me of the collection of ancient painted glass with the arms of the Serjeants since the last half, more or less, of the 17th century, now at Moat Mount, Mill Hill. The collection first came before me in connection with my survey of old painted glass in Middlesex on behalf of the Royal Commission on Historical Monuments, and since the death of the late Mr. Irwin Cox,¹ I have kept an eye upon the collection with the view of securing, if possible, an appropriate and permanent home for it in this country in the event of its sale.

"It has now occurred to me that the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn might, perhaps, entertain the idea of acquiring this old painted glass if an arrangement could be made for its transfer to the windows of the Old Hall.

"You will no doubt, remember the history of the Collection, that, on the dissolution of the Society of Serjeants, the late Mr. Serjeant Cox² purchased the buildings of the Inn of the Society in Chancery Lane, and re-erected the Old Hall, with its internal fittings including the old glass, on a site adjoining his house at Mill Hill, where it still remains.

"While it may be said that Lincoln's Inn has not so intimate a connection with the Order of Serjeants as the other Inns of Court, yet anything illustrative of the history of the Order must be of interest to all the Inns of Court, and the fact that the Old Hall of Lincoln's Inn is without old

¹ (1838-1922) Son of Serjeant Cox, see below.

² Edward William Cox (1809-1879). See entry in DNB.

painted glass is certainly to the point. If you think that the Benchers would like to consider my suggestion, I will gladly lend you my notes on this old glass and otherwise help the matter forward in every possible way...."

Ordered that the offer be declined with thanks.¹ [pp. 30-32]

The Under Treasurer reported that a License to sit and sell fruit outside the Old Gate in Chancery Lane had been granted to David Healey. The licence provided that he might sell fruit between the outside of the Old Gate and the footpath in Chancery Lane itself between the hours of 8 a.m. and 6 p.m., in such positions as may be directed by the Head Porter and so as not to obstruct the entrance to the Inn and provided that the Local Authority or the Police make no objection. The licence might be revoked at any time. No monetary consideration was expressed in the agreement.² [p. 32]

Read a communication from H.M. Consul at Liege with reference to a proposed visit to London of young Belgian Lawyers in the second fortnight of October next. Resolved that the proposal is impracticable and that the Under Treasurer consult the other Inns as to the terms of reply. [p. 33]

An application from F.R. Evershed Esq., on behalf of the Inns of Court Mission for a donation of £15 towards their camp equipment fund was granted. [p. 33]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1925. [p. 34]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Read the following communication from J.M. Vaughan Esq:

"Having sold my house Sylvia, Putney Heath, I can no longer house my grandfather's picture by Pickersgill, viz, of Sir John Vaughan (formerly Mr. Justice Vaughan) size of frame about 6 x 4 ft. I would gladly loan or lend the picture to you for a minimum term, say, of 5 years if you would like to take it of [*sic*] this condition..."

"There was a time when you were anxious to get this picture as I understand from my father, now deceased, Rev. C.L. Vaughan..."

Ordered that the offer be declined with thanks. [p. 35]

Read the following communication from Mr. Reginald Heber Smith, the Treasurer of the Harvard Law School Association.

"On 24th July 1924 the Harvard Law School Association was generously

¹ The glass was presented to the Law Society in 1926 by Philip Henry Cooke, a solicitor, and others who had acquired the Moat Mount estate from the Cox family. The glass was installed, and is still in place, in The Law Society's Hall, a few yards from its original home on the other side of Chancery Lane. Some 122 serjeants and judges are represented in the collection. A full catalogue of the glass by Pretor W. Chandler appears in the 1933 and 1938 editions of the *Handbook of the Law Society*, pp. 113-131.

² Following the death of Mr. Healey, the licence was renewed in favour of his widow in 1957: *post*, pp. 624, 625.

permitted by you to use your historic Hall for a luncheon meeting that was attended by more than one hundred graduates of the Harvard Law School who were in London in connection with the American Bar Association's pilgrimage to England.

"At its annual meeting on 16th June 1925, the Association instructed me to send to you this silver plate in commemoration of this unusual occasion and as an expression of our deep appreciation of your hospitality.

"Among the many events of a notable week that stirred us all to a keener realization of the strong bonds that unite the legal professions of England and America none was more impressive to us than our quiet gathering as guests in your home."

Mem: The piece of plate is a silver tray bearing the inscription

To the
Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn
From
The Harvard Law School Association
July 24, 1924.

Ordered that it be recorded in the Black Book and that a letter of thanks be sent by the Treasurer. [p. 36]

Council held on November 2nd, 1925. [p. 37]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Director of Legal Studies (Mr. A.M. Langdon)

"I am anxious that the Inns of Court, without trespassing on the work deputed to the Council of Legal Education, should if possible take a more active part in the training of their students for the profession. And the first obvious step is to revive the ancient system of mootings at each of the Inns. Gray's Inn has a most successful society; the Middle Temple are on the point of establishing one; and there appears no reason why Lincoln's Inn and the Inner Temple should not do the same. If the proposal is favourably received, every Inn of course would take its own measures for making the scheme a success.

"Looking back on my own early days as a student, I am inclined to believe that if the Students and newly called Barristers of the Inn could be encouraged to run the society themselves under the inconspicuous control of some members of the Bench the result would be favourable. All depends, it seems, on the quality and keenness of the students and the reception which the plan and its execution may receive from the Bench. At any time I should be glad to offer my own personal assistance if it should be thought advisable."

Ordered that a Committee [of three named Benchers] with power to add to their number be appointed to consider and report. [pp. 39, 40]

"The invitation given by the Treasurer to the Director of Legal Studies to make use of the Benchers luncheon and drawing rooms was confirmed." [p. 40]

Read the following communication from the Architect to the Treasurer.

"I managed to pick up a nice lot of paving and setts from one of the Councils at a very reasonable price.

"The paving is now completed and Clark has made an excellent job of it. It has been done entirely in your official year and you will find the Treasurer's inscription on the western 'mill-rind' to commemorate the fact.

"As regards the design, this will cost the Inn nothing. It is my present as Architect to you as Treasurer."

Ordered that a letter of thanks be written to the Architect for giving the design. [pp. 40, 41]

Officers for 1926. [p. 41]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Danesfort, K.C.

Master of the Library: Charles Elliott Edward Jenkins K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Thomas Raffles Hughes K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: William Henry Upjohn K.C.

Master of the Walks: Robert Frederick Norton C.B.E., K.C.

"Ordered, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, that £3000 5 p.c. War Loan be sold to meet deficit due to withdrawal of deposits." [p. 41]

"Read a communication from Dr. Bisschop as to the formation of a Lincoln's Inn Savings Association. Ordered that the Treasurer write saying that the Masters of the Bench do not approve of Dr. Bisschop's Association being called 'the Lincoln's Inn' Association." [p. 42]

"The policy which the Building Committee have adopted, in the granting of new leases and licences to sublet or assign, of inserting a clause to prevent new tenants from keeping dogs in residential chambers in the Inn was approved in principle." [p. 42]

"Resolved that the Masters of the Bench wish to express to the Librarian of the Society, Mr. H.I. Whitaker, their deep sympathy and regret for the loss which he has sustained through the death of his wife on 23rd September 1925 after a married life of 40 years." [p. 42]

Read the following communication from Mrs. Watts, dated November 2nd, 1925.

"For some time, and more as years increased, I have been anxious that this Cup which I now venture to send to you by the hand of my friend, Mr. Warwick Draper, should be placed where it could most appropriately be preserved.

"The Cup is so delightful in design and workmanship that it does well represent the appreciation the Treasurer and the Masters of the Bench

wished to show in the year 1860,¹ of the just accomplished work in true fresco, and may I add that it is also to me a reminder of the pleasure that unique opportunity afforded my husband, who was so earnestly seeking in those days for great wall spaces, when he knew that he had been trusted and believed to be worthy of the fine proportions of Lincoln's Inn Hall.

"These considerations made me feel that nowhere could this beautiful Cup be so well placed as at Lincoln's Inn. May I therefore through you, ask to be allowed to make my offer, and be made happy by knowing that for the future it will be in the safe keeping of your Honourable Society."

Ordered that the generous offer of Mrs. Watts be gratefully accepted and that an inscription recording the gift be engraved on the Cup. The Treasurer undertook to write to Mrs. Watts a suitable letter of thanks. [*p.* 43]

Council held on November 25th, 1925. [*p.* 45]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Ordered that a loyal message of condolence on the death of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra be sent to His Majesty the King. [*p.* 45]

Read brokers note of sale of £3000 War 5p.c. stock 1929-1947. for £2988.9. [*p.* 46]

Read the following communication from Messrs Garrard & Co. Ltd. to the Under Treasurer

"We beg that you will be good enough to receive on behalf of the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn a pair of silver cups that we have had the honour to make by the kind order of the American Bar Association. We shall be obliged by your being good enough to acknowledge the receipt of them to George W. Wickersham Esq., 40 Wall Street, New York.

"We enclose a description of the cups, and would mention that the Master of St. John's College, Cambridge,² was good enough to entrust to us the original cup to enable us to make a faithful reproduction."

Description of the Cups. A pair of cylindrical silver cups, on baluster stems, ornamented with Chinese figures, birds and foliage. Engraved with the Arms of Lincoln's Inn on one side and an inscription on the other. Surmounted with a model of a grizzly bear on the covers. Reproduced from the "Burleigh" Cup A.D. 1683, in the possession of St. John's College Cambridge.

The Treasurer was requested to send a letter of appreciation to the Secretary of the American Bar Association. [text not reproduced] [*pp.* 46-48]

Read and adopted the following reports of the Kitchen, Building and Finance Committee on the proposal to serve luncheons in Hall.

¹ See 5BB.vii for the presentation.

² Robert Forsyth Scott, an Honorary Bencher: see *ante*, p. 188.

Kitchen Committee

Resolved that it is desirable to supply lunch in Hall for Barristers and Students if the necessary arrangements can be made. It is not considered desirable that Benchers should lunch in Hall with the Barristers and Students. It has for some time been desirable to have a lift at the south end of the hall; if this scheme is carried through this will be essential. The Committee think this should be done in any event. The Under Treasurer to obtain an estimate of the cost.

The Committee think the scheme practicable. The scheme involves re-arrangement as regards examinations and lectures. The Under Treasurer to communicate with the Council of Legal Education as to this. It is desirable to inaugurate the scheme at the beginning of Hilary Term even if the lift may not by then be completed. . . .

Building Committee

Upon consideration of the Report of the Architect re providing lifts at the south end of the Hall, and estimate from Messrs Waygood Otis Ltd. £513, it was recommended to the Council to have a lift, and accept the estimate. Also sanction incidental work—formation of two opening hatches in the Hall screen—removal of the iron stair ballaster and hand rails—transferring hot plate to south wall, and supply of service table or shelf—and a screen across the service part of vestibule.

Finance Committee

Recommended, if luncheons in Hall be ordered that the other Inns be asked to go back to the arrangements under the Resolution of 3rd November 1891, and that this Inn refuse to take the Law Examinations oftener than once a year.

Recommended, that the resolution of the Building Committee as to the installation of service lifts at the south end of the Hall be adopted. [pp. 50-52]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of William Ward, the Under Chapel Keeper. The report of the Finance Committee recommending that Henry Knight be appointed Under Chapel Keeper at a wage of £2.15/- per week was approved. [p. 52]

The Treasurer reported that he had received a letter from the Preacher (the Dean of Exeter) offering to fulfil the duties of the office through next Hilary Term, or perhaps longer as a temporary measure, but definitely declining re-appointment. The Preacher had expressed strong disapproval of the suggestion that in future a Special Preacher should be chosen for each service, but had offered to assist the Bench in the selection of a new Preacher if desired.

Ordered that the Preacher's offer to take the necessary services in next Hilary Term be accepted with thanks. [p. 52]

Adjourned Council held on December 17th, 1925. [p. 53]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Home Office conveying the King's thanks for the expression of the sympathy of the Masters of the Bench on the death of Her Majesty Queen Alexandra. [pp. 54]

"The Treasurer reported that notice had been given to the Inner Temple requesting that Society to take the examinations of the Council of Legal Education next Easter Term and to take its share of the Examinations in the future." [p. 54]

"The Treasurer reported that, in accordance with the recommendation of the Special Committee appointed to deal with the matter, the bust in marble of the late Lord Macnaghten by C.L. Hartwell Esq., R.A. had been purchased for the Society and placed in the vestibule. The purchase price was 250 guineas of which 100 guineas had been subscribed privately by Benchers, the balance being at the charge of the Society." [p. 55]

"The Treasurer reported that the Chapel Committee after consultation with the Special Chapel Committee, which had been appointed by Order of the Council dated 31st January 1923, and had reported to the Council with reference to the office of Preacher on 25th November 1923, unanimously recommended that Canon Vernon Faithful Storr be invited to accept the Preachership for a period of three years from Christmas 1925. This recommendation was unanimously adopted and the Treasurer was desired to convey the invitation to Canon Storr." [p. 55]

Read and adopted the following report of the Committee on Moots.

"We have made inquiries as to the management of the moots at Gray's Inn and elsewhere and as the result of such inquiries we beg to recommend that resolutions be passed to the following effect:

1. That the Treasurer be authorised to appoint a Committee of members of this Society composed of two Benchers, two Barristers of under seven years' standing, and two Students to arrange for the holding of moots.
2. That until further order one moot be held (on a day to be fixed) in each dining term and that each moot be held after dinner in the Hall of this Society.
3. That the Treasurer for the time being or a Bencher nominated by him be authorised to arrange for a suitable President for each moot." [p. 56]

Memorandum for record with reference to 3 plants of Shakespeare's Mulberry (*Morus nigra* var) presented to the Society by W.J. Bean Esq., Curator of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Kew.

Extract from the letter dated 4th December 1925 from Mr. Bean to the Under Treasurer

"This is to tell you that the genealogy of the plants is *true*. We sent a tree some years ago to Buckingham Palace Gardens and Lord Redesdale, who

was superintending the matter on behalf of Edward VII went into the matter and was satisfied that our trees were directly descended from the old tree in S's garden at Stratford which the proprietor of the place (pestered by people wanting to see it) cut down many years ago." [p. 57]

There follows a pencilled memo. "These are planted in New Square."

Treasurer: Mr. Justice P.O. Lawrence

The following Benchers died during the year

1. April 5 Matthew Snooke Grosvenor Woods, K.C.
2. November 23 Judge Richard Holmden Amphlett, K.C.
3. December 8 Roger Bernard Lawrence, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Born 1838.
2. Amphlett. b.1847. Nephew of Sir Richard Paul A. (1809-1883; Baron Amphlett from 1874) Recorder of Worcester 1891-1908; Judge of Birmingham County Court from 1908. Much concerned to reduce imprisonment of debtors.
3. Lawrence. b.1869. Vice-Chancellor of the County Palatine of Lancaster from 1919.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Edward Percival Clarke
 2. William John Jeeves, C.B.E., K.C.
 3. William Everard Tyldesley Jones, K.C.
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Council held on January 11th, 1926. [p. 58]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 57, 62]

William John Jeeves, C.B.E., K.C.

William Everard Tyldesley Jones, K.C.

On the recommendation of the Chapel Committee and upon the motion of the Treasurer it was unanimously resolved and Ordered that the Rev. Vernon Faithfull Storr, M.A., Canon of Westminster, be appointed Preacher of the Society for a term of three years from the March 25th, 1926, terminable at any time by resignation or by order of the Bench. [There followed a number of detailed terms. The salary was fixed at 200 guineas a year] [pp. 59, 60]

Read the following joint opinion of Sir Arthur Underhill and William Michael Spence Esq., dated December 21st, 1925, re the property of this Honourable Society

"Lincoln's Inn and the other three Inns of Court seem to occupy a unique position, being voluntary unincorporated Societies independent of the Royal Courts, and subject only to the visitatorial jurisdiction of the

judges, and having (apparently by delegation from the judges) the exclusive power of nominating as barristers and exercising a disciplinary jurisdiction over their members. (See Halsbury's Laws of England, vol. 2, pages 358–361). They have (at least Lincoln's Inn has) no written rules; but by immemorial custom manage the property of the Inn even to the extent of selling it, according to their absolute and unfettered discretion, the legal estate being vested in four of their number as trustees who act upon the orders of the Benchers.

"It appears to us that there is not any body of persons who can require the legal estate in the Inn property 'to be conveyed to or otherwise vested in them' within the meaning of Schedule I Part II paragraph 3 of the Law of Property Act 1925. That being so we do not think that there is any occasion to do anything.

"Alternatively, if the true nature of the case is that the trustees hold the land in trust for the members in undivided shares (which we do not think it is) then by Schedule I Part IV paragraph 1(1)(b) it would remain vested in the trustees upon the statutory trusts, which are trusts for sale with an indefinite power to postpone and in the meantime to manage. But, as we have already said we do not think that the case falls under Part II or Part IV of the Schedule but remains entirely unaffected." [pp. 61, 62]

MEMORANDUM dated 25th January 1926.

"In accordance with the Order of Council of 11th January 1926 as to the revival of moots, a moot was held in Hall after dinner on the above date. The Rt. Hon. The Lord Chancellor acted as President and dined at the Bench Table. There were present on the occasion the Treasurer and 29 other Masters of the Bench, 66 Barristers and 93 Students. Mr. Langdon K.C., Director of Legal Studies, was also a guest at the Bench Table. The proceedings at the moot are recorded in the Moot Minute Book."¹ [p. 64]

Council held on January 31st, 1926. [p. 64]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Secretary of the Council of Legal Education

"I am directed by the Council of Legal Education to inform you that the studentship awarded at the above examination was divided between Mr. J.L. Montrose of Gray's Inn and Mr. G.A. Rink of Lincoln's Inn. I am to mention that the work of the leading candidates in the first class showed quite exceptional merit, and that after awarding the studentship to the two first candidates who were as nearly as possible equal in merit, the Council very highly commended the two candidates who were next in merit, Messrs D. Kimball of Gray's Inn, and D.A.S. Cairns of the Middle Temple."

¹ For further moots, see Introduction, *ante*, p. 13. The order of Council noted here is not in the records of the meeting of 11th January 1926.

Ordered that an addition of £52.10/- per annum for three years be made to the studentship awarded to Mr. G.A. Rink so as to make the amount equal to what it would have been had the studentship not been divided. [*pp.* 66, 67]

Read the following communication to the Treasurer from the Treasurer of the Inner Temple, dated January 14th, 1926.

"Owing to the holding of examinations in the Halls of the Inns of Court, each Inn in turn has to suffer the inconvenience of periodically discontinuing the system of luncheons for Barristers and Students. Would it in your opinion be desirable to institute some plan by which the members of the Inn, of which the Hall is being used for examinations, might be the guests of the other three Inns of Court for luncheon purposes.

"If you think it desirable or possible that some such plan could be devised, do you think that it would assist such a project if the Treasurers of the Four Inns were to meet and explore the same? There may be some difficulties under the Licensing Acts which might stand in the way."

"The Treasurer was requested to attend the proposed meeting if held." [*p.* 67]

Read the following communication to the Treasurer from the Very Rev. H.R. Gamble, Dean of Exeter, dated January 31st, 1936.

"Having to-day completed my duties at Lincoln's Inn, I write to bid you a respectful farewell. I should be very glad if you would in some way convey to the Benchers my deep sense of the courtesy and kindness which I have always received from all of them and not less from yourself. I have greatly enjoyed my somewhat prolonged term of office and I shall always remember it with gratitude and pleasure."

Ordered upon the motion of the Treasurer that the Preacher's resignation be accepted with much regret and thanks for his services, that an invitation be given to him to dine at the Bench table (sitting in the Preacher's place should the Preacher be absent; otherwise in the place next after) and to use the Library of the Society at his pleasure, and that this Order be communicated to him by the Treasurer. [*pp.* 68, 69]

Upon the motion of Mr. Justice Tomlin: Ordered that a rota of Benchers be established for attendance at Chapel on Sundays other than Sundays on which the Warburton Lecture is delivered and that the number of Benchers on this rota to attend such service be four and that on each Sunday to which the rota applies there be served in the Council Room for the convenience of the Benchers and their friends attending the Chapel and of the Preacher and his friends a luncheon of a simple kind and that for such luncheon each Bencher who attends do pay for himself and friends the sum of 6/- per head. [*p.* 69]

"An application for permission to exhibit the bust of the late Lord Macnaghten at the Royal Academy was granted if the Hon. Sir Malcolm Macnaghten K.B.E., K.C., M.P. so desires." [*p.* 69]

"The Under Treasurer reported the presentation by Edward Atkin a Barrister of this Society of 4 pairs of pearl and silver desert [*sic*] knives and

forks for the use of the First Bar Mess. Ordered that a letter of thanks be sent to him." [p. 69]

Adjourned Council held on March 4th, 1926. [p. 72]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported his negotiations with the Treasurers of the other Inns as to a joint arrangement for the provision of luncheons to Barristers and Students while the Law Examinations are in progress, and the report of the Kitchen Committee was read. It was proposed that while the Hall of any Inn shall be unavailable for luncheon, owing to these examinations being held there, the other Inns should admit a suitable number of members of the Inn in question, on production of a ticket in each case, luncheon to be provided at the usual charges but no intoxicating liquors to be sold to them.

"Ordered (1) that the proposal be adopted, except that there be no prohibition of the sale of intoxicating liquors in the case of members of other Inns admitted to luncheon at Lincoln's Inn.

(2) that the members of other Inns so admitted be Honorary Members of Lincoln's Inn for the time being and for the purpose named in this resolution." [p. 74]

Robert Frederick Norton, C.B.E., K.C., reported the proceedings of the Special Joint Committee of the Inns relating to the finance of the Council of Legal Education.

"The Committee recommended that in future the Council of Legal Education should meet its expenses in the first place out of all fees received for forms of admission, for attending lectures and for examinations; that, if these should prove insufficient, the balance should be met by equal contributions from the Inns until each Inn should have contributed £250; that, if any further amount should be required, it should be contributed rateably by the Inns in proportion to the number of students called to the Bar by each Inn during the year in question."

Ordered that the recommendation be adopted, and that the representatives of this Inn on the Special Joint Committee be authorised to act accordingly. [p. 75]

"Upon the motion of Albert Charles Clauson, Esq., C.B.E., K.C. it was Ordered that it be referred to the Chapel Committee to consider and report to the Bench whether any and if so what change ought to be made with a view to improve the music in the Chapel services." [p. 75]

Upon the motion of Mr. Justice Tomlin Ordered that it be referred to the Building committee to consider the propriety of removing the railings round the under crypt of the Chapel and report. [p. 76]

Read the following petition signed by 43 barristers, solicitors, Bar students and articled clerks working or living in Lincoln's Inn.

"1. That recently lawn tennis courts have been laid down in a portion of Lincoln's Inn Fields and that the said courts have contributed greatly to

the health and enjoyment of persons within the neighbourhood of the Inn, just as there are already lawn tennis courts in the gardens in the Temple and Gray's Inn.

2. That the central portion of the piece of lawn bounded on the north by High Holborn on the east by Stone Buildings, on the South by New Square and the west by Lincoln's Inn Fields is well suited for lawn tennis.

3. That the said lawn is rarely used for any purpose necessary to the Inn and that the existence of lawn tennis courts if permitted thereon would not interfere with such use.

4. That lawn tennis courts if managed by a responsible club committee and made available for play on payment of a small fee should involve no expense and in the opinion of many would greatly add to the amenities of the Inn.

5. That in the event of this petition being granted, a club could be formed to lay down and observe such restrictions as to membership and hours of play as should be deemed desirable. As to the latter your petitioners humbly suggest that play might be limited to between the hours of 5.30 p.m. and dusk from Monday to Friday (both Inclusive) and on Saturday between 2 p.m. and dusk."

Ordered that the petition be refused. [p. 77]

Read the following petition from the Selden Society, dated 1st March 1926

I am desired by the President and Council of the Selden Society to petition the Masters of the Bench for permission for the Society to publish a transcript of Selden's Table Talk from the ms. in Lincoln's Inn Library. It is proposed, if permission be granted, to publish a volume containing the article on Selden in the Dictionary of National Biography and the table talk from the Lincoln's Inn ms. which has hitherto not been noticed by the editors of previous editions of the table talk.¹

Ordered that permission be granted. [p. 79]

Council held on April 13th, 1926. [p. 80]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read the report of the Chapel committee in relation to the music in the Chapel. The Committee proposed the following

"Arrange that for the next two terms as an experiment, choir should be in the organ loft unless otherwise ordered. The Dean and Mr. Owen Thompson to arrange with the organist accordingly. Dean of Chapel to consult Preacher as to altering direction of the desk in pulpit." [p. 81]

Read and adopted the following report of the Building Committee upon consideration of a proposal to remove the railings round the under crypt of the Chapel.

¹ The volume, edited by Sir Frederick Pollock, was published for the Selden Society as an occasional volume by Quaritch in 1927.

"Resolved to report in favour of removal of railings and of rubbish within. Obtain a proper record, so far as possible, of the graves and inscriptions on them, and if found necessary re-engrave inscriptions."¹ [p. 82]

Read and adopted the following report of the Building Committee as to the Old Hall.

"The Committee report that having received a written report from the Architect on the progress of the work already authorised in connection with the Old Hall and having discussed the matter with him personally, the Committee recommend the carrying out of the two following operations in addition to the work already authorised viz:

(a) In connection with the re-building of the west wall of No. 17 Old Square (which has already been authorised at a Council meeting held 29th June 1925) restore the passage way on south side of Old Hall to its original position.

(b) Remove the encroachment made by some previous tenant of chambers adjoining the Old Hall which encroachment now forms a chamber or cupboard in the roof." [pp. 82, 83]

Two written reports of the Architect, both dated March 19th, 1926, follow.

THE OLD HALL

1. In reporting further as to the work in progress to the Old Hall, I beg leave to refer to my previous report of 7th October 1924, when the principle of executing step by step a thorough structural repair of the building, preserving what is of interest without rigid regard to archaeological consistency, was submitted for the consideration of the Bench. Also to my later Report of 8th June last, when, the condition of the building having become critical, my recommendation that its gradual structural repair should be undertaken by the Society's building staff under my direction, was approved. Subsequently, on 11th November last, I was privileged to meet the Building Committee and submit to them some of the drawings I had prepared for the necessary work. I then explained that I proposed to proceed very cautiously, the effect of which would be to spread the expenditure over several years. This proposal also was approved by the Committee.

2. The gradual opening up of the Hall by removing the stucco with which the walls and stonework were covered (to the thickness of four to six inches in places) and the clearance of the sham interior groining shows the decision of the Bench to have been abundantly justified. The building was on the very point of collapse, insomuch that the only alternative to reconstruction was to encase it in heavy shoring and abandon its use.

3. Before dismantling the roof timbers, I consulted the late Professor Lefroy, by direction of the Committee, with regard to the beetles which had

¹ A full report on the gravestones, including facsimiles of the inscriptions, was prepared by Sir John Simpson in 1928 and is held in the Library (MS. Misc. 808).

attacked the framing especially in the portions covered by the plaster work of the ceiling. He advised that all the timbers should be sprayed before they were disturbed with a preparation of which he supplied the formula, and this was accordingly done. As the beetles take flight in the spring, I gave a second spraying to the old floor joists, with the same solution, after the roof was taken down in order to prevent possible infection of woodwork in our other buildings. The treatment seems to have been effective since no living beetles or grubs have been discovered since the spraying was done.

4. Upon exposure the stonework proved to be in even worse condition than the woodwork, some of the window mullions having decayed below the stucco which concealed the mischief until but one to two square inches of solid stone remain. Fortunately much of the internal face is fairly good and can be re-used. All that is sound is therefore being re-faced with selected Portland stone from the whit-bed strata, by our own mason. Each piece has been numbered and indexed for re-erection. The ancient doorway on the west side which was discovered some years ago has been successfully disengaged, a broken stone has been replaced and it is now ready for re-erection. This was clearly the door to the Inner Court at the time the Hall was first built, and was bricked up when the southern extension was made in the XVII century. The windows are now being gradually repaired.

5. I hope before long to begin the re-erection of the ancient doorway referred to, the window over it and the adjoining buttress (the southern one on the west side). The brickwork of this part must be re-built, for three different openings have been cut into it at different times and none of the old brickwork remains. For this purpose I have had some bricks made by Messrs Collier of Reading to match the old Tudor work. This firm has taken great interest and trouble about them and have made the special size required without extra charge. There is sufficient, and quite sound, old stone for the buttresses and plinth. The old Tudor brickwork of other bays I propose to restore to the vertical by means of jacks. It is hardly likely I shall be ready to do this in the present year.

6. Two roof principals (Nos. 4 and 5) have been lowered and one taken to pieces. It proves to be a collar-braced framing of the true "scissor type." After discussion with our foreman I decided to intrust its repair to Mr. Kerridge of Cambridge who has done much work for me. He has a stock of oak 200 to 300 years old, and we get the benefit of country, instead of London, rates of labour. We have not the necessary space or apparatus available on the site for straightening the deflected timbers. All the rafters, plates, purlins and wind-braces have been carefully numbered to correspond with index drawings, and are laid aside for repair and re-erection. While reserving a definite opinion, the details of this fine timber roof incline me to believe it (except the southern bay) to have formed part of an earlier structure than that of 1506; possibly of that which Dugdale says was pulled down in 1493.¹ This may have been the Hall of the Bishop of Chichester's palace.

¹ Sir William Dugdale, *Origines Juridicales* (3rd., 1580), p. 231.

7. I have to report two interesting discoveries made when dismantling the roof. First, a few of the original tiles with which it was covered; they vary slightly in size from those now made, but there will be no difficulty in obtaining similar ones. Second, about 100 superficial feet of very fine linenfold oak panelling, very similar to that of Cardinal Wolsey's ante-chamber at Hampton Court. It is about nine feet high, and of length equal to one severity. Undoubtedly this was the original lining of the walls, and it will be for the Bench to decide, when the time comes, whether this decoration shall be completed. It is in quite good condition and needs but little repair.

8. When clearing away the plastering and preparing to lower the southernmost roof principal, it was discovered that at some time (with or without the knowledge of the Bench) the brickwork of the party wall between the chimneys had been removed, and the kitchen of the top floor extended by building a lath and plaster partition upon the principal itself. The danger from fire to the old and dry roof of the Hall is obvious. I beg to recommend that the partition be removed, and the 9 inch brick wall rebuilt, so that the Hall may be effectively divided from the inhabited chambers which adjoin it.

9. The removal of the dilapidated turret of painted deal and plaster, erected in 1818, disclosed the oak posts and framing of the original "loover" (or "lanthorn") which is recorded to have been set up in the sixth year of Edward VI (1553). This framing is perfectly sound and the portions have been duly indexed and set aside until the roof shall be ready to receive it.

10. Progress is necessarily slow; the building staff have the normal work of the Inn to attend to, and I do not want to engage extra men (save as may be at times inevitable) other than the mason. The Hall is of extreme interest, the oldest of the three existing halls of the Inns of Court, older even than Hampton Court. The object I have in view, with the approval of the Bench, is to preserve it as a building for practical use in the most economical way possible with sound work. When finished it should have a new life of several centuries.

NO. 17 OLD BUILDINGS

It will be within your knowledge that the western wall of these chambers, which has been anxiously watched for many years on account of its defects, has recently shown signs of collapse. I ordered it to be shored up for the safety of the tenants, but understand that the Bench desire its rebuilding to be deferred until the Long Vacation.

The opportunity is now presented for restoring the passage way on the ground floor to its original position next the Old Hall. The advantages to the Society are considerable and the tenant would gain several feet of additional space on the first floor while losing nothing on the ground floor. It would restore the two covered entrances to the Hall through the screen (which still exist, though bricked up) to the great advantage in usage of the Hall itself. I submit a plan of the passage as existing and as it was formerly. The present staircase, doors and fittings can all be re-used and the cost of the alteration would be small. I venture to recommend to the Bench that this singular opportunity should not be lost. [*pp.* 84-89]

"The consideration of an offer to present to the Society an oil painting of Mark Hildersley,¹ Barrister of Lincoln's Inn, 1679, was adjourned and Charles Ashworth James Esq., K.C., was requested to inspect the painting and report." [p. 89]

Special Council held on May 10th, 1926. [p. 91]

Four nominated Benchers present.

"On 16th January 1926 a letter was received by the Under Treasurer from a firm of solicitors relating to the conduct of William Roosegarde Bisschop a Barrister and a member of this Society.² Accompanying the letter was a statement signed by Dr. Bisschop relating to certain transactions to which he was a party in connection with the affairs of a company called C.O.M. Ltd. The statement appeared to show that Dr. Bisschop had been a party to falsification of documents....

"After full consideration the Council passed a resolution in the following terms:

"...The Bench are of opinion that the facts stated in Dr. Bisschop's signed statement disclose that Dr. Bisschop was actively concerned in certain acts which—whether technically constituting forgery or not—were acts totally inconsistent with the standard of honourable conduct expected from members of the Bar of England.

"The argument that these acts were committed not in order to defraud an individual but to deceive and outwit the French Government, that Dr. Bisschop thought the French occupation of the Ruhr illegal and considered that he was therefore justified in concocting documents to deceive them does not seem to the Bench an argument that they can accept. Nor do the Bench accept the suggestion that Dr. Bisschop was acting gratuitously and was not acting in a professional capacity. On the contrary they are driven to the conclusion that Dr. Bisschop was acting as the paid representative of Dr. Roehling and that he was chosen for this purpose because he was a skilled lawyer and specially conversant with international law. Moreover even if the work were done gratuitously the position is no more favourable to Dr. Bisschop.

Under these circumstances the Bench have been forced to consider whether they would be justified in allowing Dr. Bisschop to remain a member of the Bar. After most anxious consideration they think it probable that Dr. Bisschop did not fully appreciate the gravity of the offences. They think they are justified in taking a merciful course. But they are of opinion that the acts referred to were quite incapable of justification and they

¹ Admitted to a chamber: 2BB.387 (1650); called to the Bar: 2BB.411 (1656). Evidently the offer was not accepted.

² (1866-1944) Standing counsel to the Dutch legation in London 1897-1941. The Library holds his work *The Saar Controversy* (1924) which he presented to it. Its theme is "that the treatment of the inhabitants of the Saar district by the Commission appointed to govern them in pursuance of the Treaty of Versailles is intolerable." (Review in (1924) 40 L.Q.R. 260.).

would be wanting in their duty to the profession if they did not most severely censure Dr. Bisschop and warn him most gravely as to his future conduct..." [pp. 91-93]

Council held on May 10th, 1926. [p. 93]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"The Hon. Mr. Justice Lawrence reported the results of the Society's financial year ending 10th January 1926, the year of his Treasurership. He stated that the investments of the Inn had been diminished by £11,000, the money raised by this sale having for the most part been expended in the purchase of property at 7 New Square and 51 and 52 Carey Street. The surplus on the year amounted to £3032. This would automatically be added to the Special Reserve fund, the balance to the credit of which after payments during the year of £1106 on the Old Hall and certain other items of special expenditure was £5019 at the end of the year.

"In connection with a statement by Mr. Justice Lawrence that £1281 was spent during the year under review on Wines and Spirits, Mr. Clauson reported to the Bench, on behalf of Sir Edward Clarke K.C., the senior Bencher, that at the dinner in Hall on May 5th, which but for the strike would have been Grand Night, Sir Edward had in accordance with the traditions of the Inn allowed champagne to Barristers messes and at the Students table as well as at the Bench Table." [pp. 96, 97]

"The motion of the Hon. Mr. Justice Eve that Rule 4 of the Rules for the election of Benchers be dispensed with to enable His Honour Judge Sturges K.C. to be invited to the Bench, was carried." [p. 97]

"The Treasurer reported that Mrs. Rose, widow of the late John Rose Esq., K.C. had offered to present to the Society some sketches by the late Sir Frank Lockwood Q.C.¹ Ordered that they be received with thanks and the Treasurer was requested to so inform Mrs. Rose. Messrs Zaendorf to be employed to bind them in the same style as the other sketches which are now in the Library."² [p. 97]

"A petition from a lady barrister of Gray's Inn who has chambers in New Square asking for permission to lunch in the Hall was granted." [p. 97]

"The Under Treasurer reported the death of Ernest Edward Poyle, the Kitchen Clerk..." [p. 98]

"Sir James Greig suggested that steps should be taken to transfer the duties of the police employed in the Inn to special constables, thus releasing the police for more important work during the present emergency. The matter was left to the discretion of the Treasurer, Colonel Errington and Sir James Greig." [p. 98]

¹ (1846-1897). Bencher, 1887. Solicitor-General 1894-96.

² See *ante*, p. 125. The Library has only one bound volume of these sketches, which may contain both collections.

Council held on June 1st, 1926. [p. 99]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 89, 97, 101]

His Honour Judge Hugh Murray Sturges, K.C.

"Read a communication from the Director of Legal Studies suggesting the following addition to Regulation 38 of the Consolidated Regulations.

Regulation 38B

"Notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 38 and without prejudice to and in addition to the other powers of dispensation conferred by these Regulations, the Masters of the Bench of any Inn may exempt any Student of such Inn from the necessity of passing any of the Examinations for Call to the Bar for which he has been unable to sit by reason of performing public services during the recent industrial trouble.

"Ordered that the suggestion be approved and recommend to the Joint Committee on the Duties etc. of the Bar that the necessary alteration be made in the Consolidated Regulations if the other Inns concur." [p. 100]

"A letter was read from Mr. G. Woods Wollaston, the Richmond Herald, sent with the blazon of arms in the Hall and Chapel which he had prepared to bring the printed record of these shields up to date. A vote of thanks to Mr. Wollaston for his generous and valuable labour for the benefit of the Inn was passed unanimously, and the Under Treasurer was directed to convey this to Mr. Wollaston and to arrange to refund to him any expenses that the work may have entailed." [p. 101]

"A letter was read from Lt. Col. H.D.P. Francis, the Officer commanding the Inns of Court Officers Training Corps, thanking the Masters of the Bench for the active support given by the Inn to the Corps in carrying out duties entailed by the late General Strike." [p. 101]

Council held on June 21st, 1926. [p. 104]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 101, 106]

Arthur Malcolm Latter, K.C.

Upon the motion of Sir Arthur Underhill on behalf of Sir Thomas Hughes K.C. that light refreshments be provided for the members of the London Society visiting the Inn on Saturday 10th July, Ordered that tea be provided, but this is not to be considered a precedent. [p. 105]

Upon the motion of William Henry Upjohn Esq., K.C. seconded by Mr. Justice Eve that

"1. In the opinion of this Bench, the Bar Council ought not to express an opinion intended to influence the professional conduct of a member of the Bar without communication to the member of the Bar to be affected, and ascertaining his view of the facts of the case, and also any observations he may desire to make to the Bar Council.

2. In the opinion of this Bench, there is no reason why a counsel who has advised one party in a litigation should not subsequently appear for an opposite party in the same litigation, provided that (1) the original client, being afforded an opportunity of briefing such counsel to appear for him, does not desire to do so; and (2) such counsel is not embarrassed in the discharge of his duty to the party briefing him, by reason of confidence reposed in him by the original client.

The following amendment was proposed by Albert Charles Clauson Esq., C.B.E., K.C., seconded by Lord Justice Warrington and carried:

"That since (1) no complaint has yet been made to this Council as to the professional conduct of any member of this Inn in regard to the questions raised by Mr. Upjohn's motion, and (2) if any such complaint were hereafter made it would be the duty of this Council to deal with the complaint judicially, and (3) it is not the practice of this Bench to make general pronouncements on questions of professional conduct, this Council does not think fit to make any order in regard to the questions raised by Mr. Upjohn's motion." [pp, 105, 106]

Adjourned Council held on July 20th, 1926. [p. 108]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Middle Temple with reference to the admission of students of non-European origin suggesting a joint conference of the four Inns for consideration of this question.

Ordered that if all the other Inns agree this Inn will appoint delegates to attend the conference." [p. 109]

Read a letter from William Henry Upjohn Esq., K.C. to the Treasurer resigning his office of Keeper of the Black Book and his membership of the Bench.

The Treasurer moved that Mr. Upjohn's resignation of office and membership of the Bench be accepted with regret.

Nathaniel Micklem Esq., K.C. and Sir George Lowndes K.C.S.I., K.C., seconded as an amendment that the Treasurer's motion be adjourned and that Mr. Upjohn be asked to reconsider the matter and to withdraw his resignation

The amendment was lost and the Treasurer's motion carried. [p. 109]

Ordered that Robert Frederick Norton C.B.E., K.C. be appointed Keeper of the Black Book and that Nathaniel Micklem K.C. be appointed Master of the Walks. [p. 110]

The Treasurer reported the result of his meeting with the Treasurers of the other Inns with reference to the reply to be sent to Mr. McDonnell's letter and stated that no agreement was reached. [p. 110]

The following report of the Chapel Committee was adopted.

Upon consideration of Messrs Norman & Beard's report as to the repairs to the organ the Committee recommend that

Scheme I of the report be adopted at a cost of £272, and the first and third items in Scheme II be adopted at a cost of £48 and £41 respectively, and also alteration to blowing plant to produce increased wind pressure at the estimate of £15.

The Committee suggest to the Building Committee to consider the heating of the Chapel in view of the organ builders report as to gas heating.

The Committee considered the position of the Choir in the Chapel and were inclined to think it would be as well to revert to the old arrangement but deferred their decision to its next meeting. [p. 110]

Ordered that during the Long Vacation the Fresco in the Hall be cleaned and if found advisable coated with wax, and a vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Harold Speed for his advice and his kind offer to superintend the work. [p. 111]

Council held on October 12th, 1926. [p. 112]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"Ordered that a communication from the Secretary of Health with copies of correspondence between the Minister, the London County Council and the Metropolitan Asylums Board be referred to the Committee who had reported on the subject for further report, and that if necessary the other Inns be asked to reconstitute the Joint committee..." [p. 113]

"Ordered that the vacancy on the Bench consequent upon the resignation of William Henry Upjohn Esq., K.C. be filled by a member of the inner bar." [p. 113]

"Ordered that champagne be allowed at the Bench Table at dinner on Sundays, the cost of the dinner to be as at present." [p. 114]

Adopted the report of the Building Committee which recommended to the Bench that the Benchers Rules as to the Barristers' Common Room be altered by giving the Committee of the Barristers' Common Room power to elect to the Common Room students of the Inn not exceeding 20 in all at any one time; and Approved Rule IV of the Rules to the Barristers' Common Room as revised by the Committee of the Barristers' Common Room, viz:

"The Committee may from time to time accept as members such Barristers of the other Inns of Court as have chambers or rooms in New Square, Old Buildings, Stone Buildings or New Court, Carey street, and such students of this Inn, as the Committee may think fit, such members to pay the maximum subscription for each year, provided that the number of such barristers shall not exceed 100 and the number of such students shall not exceed 20." [p. 114]

"The Rt. Hon. Lord Blanesburgh G.B.E. drew attention to a portrait by Sir Thomas Lawrence P.R.A. (1769-1830) of the Rt. Hon. Sir Thomas Plumer

(1752–1824): Treasurer of the Inn 1800: Solicitor General, 1807: Attorney General, 1812: the first Vice Chancellor of England, 1813: and Master of the Rolls, 1818–1824: which had been placed in the Council Chamber, and asked the Benchers present whether they considered it worthy of being added to the Society's collection of portraits, and, the Benchers having expressed their appreciation of the picture, and their opinion that it would form a desirable addition to the portraits belonging to the Society, Lord Blanesburgh moved:

“that it be referred to the Hanging Committee, under the guidance of Sir Arthur Underhill, to find on the walls of one of the Benchers Rooms a suitable position for the portrait of Sir Thomas Plumer by Sir Thomas Lawrence and to make in the arrangement of the other pictures in the Society's collection such alterations as may thereby be rendered necessary.

“This was seconded by Sir Arthur Underhill, who said he was sure that Lincoln's Inn would always be grateful to Lord Blanesburgh for so magnificent a gift and was carried unanimously; and on the motion of the Treasurer a vote of most sincere and cordial thanks to Lord Blanesburgh for his munificent generosity in presenting to the Society a picture that would add so notably to the artistic treasures of the Inn, was carried unanimously and with acclamation.” [pp. 115, 116]

MEMORANDUM OF PARTICULARS OF THE PICTURE

[Sir Thomas Plumer] was educated at Eton and University College, Oxford and became a Barrister, Lincoln's Inn 1778. He defended Sir Thomas Rumbold, 1783 and was one of the three counsel retained to defend Warren Hastings 1787; successfully defended Lord Melville on his impeachment, 1788 and assisted Eldon and Perceval in the defence of Caroline, Princess of Wales against the charges brought against her, 1806. . . .

Painted in Vice-Chancellor's robes with lace cravat and full bottomed wig. Background red curtain. Engraved by H. Robinson 1832. Painted about 1813. Described in Sir Walter Armstrong's "Lawrence" p. 158 and in Gower's "Lawrence" p. 155. [p. 116]

Council held on November 2nd, 1926. [p. 117]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Alfred Frank Topham, K.C. [pp. 113, 119]

Thomas Cyprian Williams [pp. 114, 119]

Officers for 1927. [p. 120]

Treasurer: Charles Elliott Edward Jenkins, K.C.

Master of the Library: Sir Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Robert Frederick Norton, C.B.E., K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Nathaniel Micklem, K.C.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bt, K.C.

Ordered that the report of the Finance Committee with reference to a bequest be adopted and that the matter be referred to the Coronation Students Committee. The report is as follows.

"Upon consideration of a communication from Messrs Laycock, Dyson and Laycock relative to a bequest under the will of the late William Fry Buchanan, Esq., a Barrister of Lincoln's Inn, who died on the 7th September 1881: the Committee recommend that the Bench accept and refer to the Coronation Students Committee and such other Benchers as they think proper to consider the terms on which the prizes should be given and report generally."¹ [p. 121]

"Permission was granted to the Society of Public Teachers of Law to deliver a series of Year Book Lectures in the Inn. The Under Treasurer to make the necessary arrangements." [pp. 121, 122]

Read the following report of Mr. Harold Speed on the Fresco in the Hall.

"I have examined the fresco with the kind assistance of Mr. Thomas Wilson, the Deputy Keeper of Westminster Hall, who so skilfully restored the frescoes in the Houses of Parliament, the only instance I know of in this country of the successful restoration of a pure fresco painting. His experience was invaluable, as this is an exactly similar case, it having been painted in the same manner about the same time and exposed to similar climatic conditions. Mr. Noel Heaton the chemist who has made a study of this process of painting also kindly gave his advice, as did Mr. Henry Hillier of Messrs Roberson, who had charge of the cleaning of the paintings in the Royal Exchange.

"While the majority of the work has stood fairly well (particularly the upper part), except for the dirt deposited upon it, there are quite a number of the figures and certain isolated patches where the surface of the plaster has perished. As is well known, the process of pure fresco painting consists of painting upon the wet plaster (a patch of which sufficient for the day's work being laid at a time), the powder earth colours being applied with water only. The binding of the pigments on the wall is due to the solidifying of the plaster. On the places where the plaster has perished the surface can be rubbed off as a powder with the colours with it. The touch of a finger is enough to bring off the painting.

"In the report of a former cleaning there is mention of a coating of wax having been applied. And I had hoped that this might have prevented the disintegration of the surface and allowed the dirt to be removed freely without fear of disturbing the painting. But such is not the case, and the proper restoration of the work is probably a couple of months of very skilful labour; necessitating the careful introduction of fixative solution that would solidify the perished surface and firmly attach the painting to the wall, such as was done so successfully with the frescoes in the Houses of Parliament. All that it has been possible to do in the time available was carefully to remove

¹ See Introduction, *ante*, p. 11.

the loose dirt with a feather brush from those parts of the work that are sound. Great care being necessary to avoid going over the perished parts which are too frail in their present state to be touched or even blown upon, and are in imminent danger of dropping off.

"It is the noblest work of its kind that we have in the country, and now that it can be properly seen for the first time suitable lighting having been installed, it is to be hoped that it will be thought worth while to have it properly restored."

Ordered that Mr. Speed be thanked and that the Report be referred to the Building Committee.¹ [*pp.* 122, 123]

"Ordered that a proof of an etched portrait by Mr. Malcolm Osborne R.A. of the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Clarke K.C. which had been forwarded by Sir Francis Newbolt be exhibited in the Drawing Room: and that Sir Francis Newbolt and Mr. Malcolm Osborne be informed thereof and that Sir Francis Newbolt's letter be adjourned to the next Council." [*p.* 124]

Council held on November 25th, 1926. [*p.* 126]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Ordered that the Report of the Council of Legal Education dated 28th October 1926 in relation to certain examinations held in the Colony of Cyprus be adopted. The following extracts are taken from the Report.

"The Council beg to report that after careful consideration of the particulars of the examinations specified with copies of recent papers they cannot recommend that a pass in such examinations should be accepted as sufficient qualification for admission to the Inns of Court, and that the Secretary of State for the Colonies be informed accordingly.

"The certificates issued by the Cyprus Government are to the effect that the candidate has passed the distinction examination in English and the local Civil Service Examination in English together with the printed diploma of the English School, Nicosia, and do not include any examination in Latin which is essential for those candidates who have not a degree of an approved university." [*pp.* 128, 129]

"Ordered ... that Rule 4 of the Rules for election to the Bench be suspended for the election to be made for filling the vacancy arising on the death of William Robert Sheldon Esq., for the purpose of enabling His Honour Judge Raymond Herbert Roope Reeve K.C. to be proposed for invitation." [*p.* 131]

Ordered that the Building and Chambers Committee be named the Buildings, Chambers and General Purposes Committee, and that all matters of expenditure not referable to any other committee be in future referred to that Committee. [*p.* 132]

¹ A copy of this Report, together with a report of 1954 and photographs, is held in the Library (MS. Misc. 987). See *post*, pp. 265, 266, 269, 271, 272.

Ordered that the Order of Council of 12th December 1922 as to the publication to the Bench be rescinded and the following Order made in substitution thereof

"That a Barrister invited to the Bench shall, if he accepts the invitation and has paid all his arrears of dues and duties, attend on such night in Term as the Treasurer may determine and be published to the Bench in the following manner:—

"When silence has been obtained in the customary manner before dinner, and before Grace is said, the Treasurer shall announce:

"By the authority and on behalf of the Masters of the Bench I publish (here he shall name the elected Barrister) a Bencher of this Society."
[pp. 132, 133]

Ordered that the following Report of the Finance Committee be adopted

"The Committee passed the following recommendations

1. That the list of Annual Donations be as last year.
2. That on a further appeal from the Charing Cross Hospital for assistance, they recommend a special donation of 25 guineas towards the new Building Fund.
3. That an application from the Shakespeare Memorial Theatre Fund for a donation be refused on the ground of the object being beyond the scope of the Society's benefactions.
4. A suggestion from Mr. Justice Tomlin as to the porters shelter in New Square and the Kitchen Garden was considered and upon Mr. Justice Tomlin having explained his suggestions to the Committee, they heartily recommend the adoption of his scheme to the Council.
5. That the Preacher be allowed to bring a guest on guest nights and Sundays during the dining terms on the same terms as Benchers." [p. 133]

"Ordered that the suggestion of the Honourable Mr. Justice Tomlin recommended for adoption by the Finance Committee viz. that the wooden porters shelter between 13 New Square and Gales the Stationers be removed, and that there be erected in lieu thereof a gate leading into the Kitchen Garden and a railing, of which gate and railing he submitted a design and offered to bear the cost, be adopted and that it be referred to the Buildings, Chambers and General Purposes Committee to carry out the necessary works. A vote of thanks to the Hon. Mr. Justice Tomlin for his generous offer was unanimously passed." [pp. 133, 134]

"The Treasurer reported that in consequence of a proposal made after dinner on the evening of the last Council Meeting by the Rt. Hon. Lord Blanesburgh and unanimously approved by the Benchers present, that the Benchers of the Middle Temple should, as a revival of an ancient custom, be invited to dinner by the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn, he had written to Mr. Justice Astbury, the Treasurer of the Middle Temple, conveying an invitation to the Benchers of the Middle Temple to dine with the Benchers of this Inn, which

had been most cordially accepted, and he asked that his action might be approved by the Council.

"Ordered that the action taken by the Treasurer be approved and that the dinner be held in Hall on Thursday the 16th December, at 7.30 p.m., at the expense of the Society; that evening dress be worn; that after the health of the King the toast of the Middle Temple be proposed (preferably by the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Clarke) and that Mr. Justice Eve, Mr. Jenkins and Sir Thomas Hughes be appointed as a Committee to make all further arrangements." [p. 134]

Ordered that the following memorandum on the repair of the Chapel windows be copied in the Black Books. [p. 134]

MEMORANDUM ON THE CHAPEL WINDOWS

by Robert Frederick Norton, C.B.E., K.C., Keeper of the Black Book 1926

The Chapel was erected in 1621/22 and consecrated on Ascension Day 1623. As built it consisted of 3 bays only, and had the still existing large east and west windows and the 6 windows on the north and south sides of the present 3 eastern bays. These 6 windows were in 1623/26 filled with stained glass by Bernard van Ling.

On the north side the window in the eastern bay contained figures of Daniel, Elisha, Isaiah, and David: in the centre bay, figures of Zachariah, Amos, Ezekiel and Jeremiah: and in the western bay figures of S. Paul, S. John Baptist, Moses and Abraham. On the south side, the window in the eastern bay contained figures of S. Peter, S. Andrew, S. James the Great and S. John Evangelist: in the centre bay, figures of S. Philip, S. Thomas, S. Bartholomew and S. Matthew: and in the western bay, figures of S. James the Less, S. Simon, S. Jude and S. Matthias.

Beneath all the figures were shields of arms, and in the tracery lights in the heads of the windows were angels, cherubs, crests and ornaments. The name Bernard van Ling appears at the foot of the figure of S. Matthias, and elsewhere his monogram and cypher, and the dates 1623, 1624 and 1626 also appear. Photographs of all the 6 windows are contained in the "Inventory of the Historical Monuments in West London" published by the Stationery Office in 1925 for the Royal Commission on Historical Monuments.

In the Preface to Vol. II of the Printed Black Books of the Inn it is stated (p. viii) that there is no record in the Black Books of the persons by whom the glass in these windows was given. In Vol. II of the printed Black Books (p. 450) there is a note "Coats of arms in the great west window in Linc. Inn Chappell by a Dutch man 1624" followed by a list of 26 names "all at 22s. each." Some of these shields and fragments of others still remain in the window. In Vol. III of the printed Black Books there is (p. 95) an Order that "Sir Robert Holborne's armes, be sett in the Chappell window," according to his antiquity or seniority, and (p. 156) an Order that "Mr. Aylofffe have leave att his owne charge to set upp his ancestor's armes in the window of the Chappell, where they formerly were." Aylofffe's shield

still remains in the west window: but Holborne's shield is no longer in existence in the Chapel.

There was until 1836 in the 3 centre lights of the lower tier of the east window a large shield of the Royal Arms as borne by King William III and Queen Mary. There is no record in the printed Black Books of the insertion of this shield. It is referred to as being in the window in 1818 in Vol. IV of the printed Black Books (p. 151).

In Vol. III of the printed Black Books (p. 213) is an Order made on the 28th January 1703 "that the coates of armes and yeares of every Benchers since the last Reader that have officiated or shall for the future officiate the place of Treasurer bee put up in the east window of the Chappell over the Communion Table; and that the armes of the House, as blazoned in Gwillam's *Heraldry*, be placed in the middle window above them all." The existing shield of the arms of the Inn in the east window is dated 1703, and the earliest shield of a Treasurer's arms in that window is that of the Treasurer for 1680. Treasurer's arms continued to be placed from time to time in that window till 1862 when the window was full. There are in Vol. III of the printed Black Books (pp. 330, 367 and 386) Orders to insert the arms in that window. In 1863 the Royal Arms of King William III and Queen Mary were removed from the east window [which] was from time to time filled by Treasurers' arms from 1863 till 1908, when the window was completely full.

The Chapel had in 1882/3 been lengthened by a western bay, the west window had been taken down and re-erected in the new western wall. The western bay contains north and south windows exactly similar to the original side windows in the 3 eastern bays, and the glass in the 2 easternmost side windows was in 1909 removed to the 2 westernmost side windows. The Treasurers' arms have in and since 1909 been from time to time placed in the eastern window on the north side, and the eastern window on the south side was in 1909 filled by removing thereto shields of arms which were at that date in the west window. There does not appear to be in the printed Black Books any record of the insertion in the west window of the arms so removed to the easternmost south window.

On the 13th October 1915, a German aeroplane dropped a bomb in Old Square about 4 or 5 feet from the north side of the Chapel between the two western windows and all the windows in the Chapel were seriously damaged. At the end of the War the glass was, as far as possible restored, but it was found impossible to restore the 2 western windows on the north side, but fragments therefrom have been inserted in the tracery lights of the eastern, north and south side windows. The window second from the east on the north side was however by the skill of Messrs. C.E. Kempe & Co. re-created from fragments of the destroyed windows and has been re-instated as the third window from the east on the north side, and the glass in the western window on the south side has been removed to the second window from the east on the north side. The glass now in the second window from the east on the north side was originally (in 1623/6) in the eastern window on the south side; the glass now in the third window from the east on the north side was originally (in 1623/6) in

the second window on that side; the glass in the two centre windows on the south side occupies its original places. The west window has been made safe and water-tight, but no attempt has been made to restore the stained glass. Some shields collected from the destroyed windows have been hung on the westernmost north side window. These restorations and alterations were completed in 1926.

While the Chapel glass was being re-arranged, opportunity was taken of inserting in the south window of the new Hall the 5 shields of arms, which had been in 1911 removed from the window of the west oriel in the new Hall to make room, for the insertion in that window of the Royal Arms as borne by King George V. [*pp.* 135–138]

Adjourned Council held on December 14th, 1926. [*p.* 139]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [*pp.* 120, 131, 141]

His Honour Judge Raymond Herbert Roope Reeve, K.C.

Ordered that the report of the Buildings, Chambers and General Purposes Committee

“That upon consideration of the expenditure on the Old Hall the Committee approved the employment of an additional stone mason. They also approved that payment of out of pocket expenses of the Architect, who informed the Committee that he will make no extra charge in respect of the Old Hall, but will appreciate any honorarium that may be eventually voted to him at completion.”

be approved and that the Under Treasurer be directed to express to Sir John Simpson the Society's appreciation of his generous attitude. [*p.* 140]

“Ordered that the general lines of the scheme suggested by Sir John Simpson for pulling down the existing building occupied by Messrs. Gale at 14 New Square and the erection of a new two storied building on the south side of the Kitchen Garden thereby opening out a larger part of the Kitchen Garden than would be opened out by the scheme approved by the Council on 25th November 1926 be adopted and that it be left to the Buildings, Chambers and General Purposes Committee to get out plans and details of the scheme and to arrange with Mr. Justice Tomlin any point as to the cost of the increased length of railing which will be occasioned by the new scheme, and that notice to determine their tenancy be given forthwith to Messrs. Gale.” [*p.* 140]

“Ordered that the price charged for luncheons at the Warburton Lectures in future be 6/- per head.” [*p.* 140]

“The list of Standing Committees was revised. John Eustace Harman Esq., was removed from all Committees owing to ill health...” [*pp.* 140, 141]

“Ordered... that Rule 4 of the Rules for election to the Bench be suspended for the election to be made for filling the vacancy arising on the death of Thomas Tindal Methold Esq., for the purpose of enabling His Honour Judge Albert Rowland Cluer to be proposed for invitation.” [*pp.* 141, 142]

"Ordered that no action be taken upon a communication from Sir Francis Newbolt with reference to an etched portrait by Mr. Malcolm Osborne R.A., R.E. of the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Clarke, K.C." [p. 142]

MEMORANDUM as to the dinner given to
the Benchers of the Middle Temple
on Thursday 16th December 1926

The Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn, Lord Danesfort, K.C., on the 3rd November 1926 wrote to the Hon. Mr. Justice Astbury as the Treasurer of the Middle Temple as follows:

At our Council Meeting of 2nd inst. reference was made to the old historic associations which exist between the Middle Temple and Lincoln's Inn, and a strong and unanimous opinion was expressed that these historic associations should be revived and periodically celebrated in some definite and distinctive manner.

In order to give effect to this expression of opinion, the members of our Bench have requested me as Treasurer to convey to you as Treasurer of the Middle Temple and to the members of your Bench a cordial invitation to dine with us at Lincoln's Inn in December next on some mutually convenient date as to which I shall be most happy to confer with you.

I sincerely trust that you and the members of your Bench may be pleased to accept this invitation, and that the proposed dinner may be the precursor of many similar gatherings.

To this letter Mr. Justice Astbury replied on 11th November as follows:

I read your letter to my Bench this afternoon when it was received with acclamation. I enclose you a copy of a resolution which we passed—which together with your letter will be recorded in our minutes. Please suggest what date will be convenient to you.

At a Parliament held on the 11th November 1926 the following Resolution was unanimously passed:—

"The Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of the Middle Temple express their gratitude to the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn for their invitation to dinner in December next, which they accept with pleasure, and they cordially associate themselves with the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn in their desire to give renewed expression to the historic friendship which has always subsisted between the two Societies."

The dinner was held in Hall on 16th December 1926 and the Treasurer of the Middle Temple (Alexander Macmorran Esq., K.C.) was accompanied by the undermentioned Benchers:—

The Rt. Hon. Viscount Finlay of Nairn, G.C.M.G.

The Rt. Hon. Viscount Mersey of Toxteth
 The Rt. Hon. Lord Trevethin
 Sir R.A. McCall, K.C.V.O., K.C., LL.B.
 The Hon. Mr. Justice Astbury
 His Honour Judge H. Terrell, K.C.
 Sir W.E.Hume Williams, Bart, K.B.E., K.C., M.P.
 B.C. Aspinall Esq., K.C.
 The Rt. Hon. Lord Shaw of Dunfermeline
 Arthur Powell Esq., K.C.
 His Honour Judge Sir Alfred Tobin K.C.
 The Hon. Mr. Justice Salter
 L. De Gruyther Esq., K.C.
 E.A. Mitchell Innes Esq., C.B.E., K.C.
 C.F. Lowenthal Esq., K.C.
 H. Holman Gregory Esq., K.C.
 St. J.G. Micklethwait Esq.
 Sir Cecil J.B. Hurst, G.C.M.G., K.C.B., K.C.
 J.A. Hawke Esq., K.C., M.P.
 The Hon. S.O. Henn Collins, C.B.E.
 Sir Patrick Hastings, K.C.
 J.B. Matthews Esq., K.C.
 A.M. Dunne Esq., K.C.
 Sir H.S. Cantley, Bart., K.C., M.P.
 J.M. Gover Esq., K.C., LL.D.
 C.E. Dyer Esq., K.C.
 J. Bruce Williamson Esq.
 H.C.S. Dumas Esq.
 A. Neilson Esq., K.C.
 S.J. Bevan Esq., K.C., and
 A.M. Sullivan Esq., K.C.

The Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn was in the chair and the under mentioned Benchers attended:—

Sir Edward Clarke K.C.
 Sir Alfred Hopkinson K.C., M.P.
 Lord Warrington of Clyffe
 Mr. Justice Eve
 Lord Justice Lawrence
 Mr. Jenkins K.C.
 Sir Thomas Hughes K.C.
 Mr. Norton C.B.E., K.C.
 Mr. Micklem K.C.
 Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart., K.C.
 Lord Blanesburgh G.B.E.
 Lord Justice Sargant
 Sir Lewis Dibdin
 Mr. Justice Romer
 Mr. E. Beaumont

Mr. Whitehead K.C.
 Mr. Justice Clauson G.B.E.
 Sir Malcolm Macnaghten K.B.E., K.C., M.P.
 Mr. Errington C.B.
 Mr. Hewitt K.C.
 Mr. Theobald Mathew
 Sir Arthur Colefax K.B.E., K.C.
 Mr. Dighton Pollock
 Mr. Justice Tomlin
 Sir Herbert Cunliffe K.C., M.P.
 Mr. Owen Thompson K.C.
 Mr. Galbraith K.C., M.P.
 Mr. Fairfax Luxmoore K.C.
 Mr. Adams
 Mr. Kennedy K.C., M.P.
 Mr. Barrington Ward K.C.
 Mr. Manning K.C.
 Mr. Holdsworth K.C.
 Mr. Hildyard K.C.
 Mr. Hurst K.C., M.P.
 Mr. Percival Clarke
 Mr. Jeeves C.B.E., K.C.
 His Honour Judge Sturges K.C.
 Mr. Topham K.C.
 The Under Treasurer (Mr. R.P.P. Rowe)

During the dinner a loving cup was passed round (the two cups presented to the Society by the American Bar Association in 1925 were used for the purpose¹) and the only toasts proposed were "The King" and "Prosperity to the Middle Temple" both proposed by the Treasurer, and "Lincoln's Inn" proposed by the Treasurer of the Middle Temple. No speeches were made.
 [pp. 143-146]

Treasurer: Lord Danesfort, K.C.

The following Benchers died or resigned during the year

1. April 3 Registrar Ward Coldridge, K.C.
2. May 24 Sir Erskine Holland, K.C.
3. July 20 William Henry Upjohn, K.C. (resigned)
4. August 11 Lewis Boyd Sebastian
5. October 17 William Robert Sheldon
6. November 1 Thomas Tindal Methold

Biographical notes

1. Coldridge. b.1864. Regular leader in Court of Astbury J. 1926 January: appointed Chief Registrar in Bankruptcy; March 26: last sat, giving judgment with difficulty; April 3: died.

¹ *Ante* p. 236.

3. See Introduction: Chronicle
4. Sebastian b.1852. Vinerian scholar. Specialist in trademarks. Became deaf but still instructed. Had to have observations of judges, witnesses and opponents repeated into his ear by a colleague: (62 L.J. News. 127, 130)
5. Sheldon. b.1857. Junior equity counsel to the Inland Revenue.
6. Methold. b.1838. One of the best known juniors of the Chancery Bar.

Newly elected in place of those dying (or resigning)

1. Judge Sturges, K.C.
2. Arthur Malcolm Latter, K.C.
3. Alfred Frank Topham, K.C.
4. Thomas Cyprian Williams
5. Judge Roope Reeve, K.C.
6. Stafford Crossman

1927

On January 1st, 1927, the practice whereby King's Counsel practising in the Chancery Division were attached to the court of a particular judge, and could not appear before another judge of the Division without a special fee, was abolished.

Council held on January 11th, 1927. [p. 147]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 132, 141, 142, 148]

Charles Stafford Crossman

Ordered that the Report of the Finance Committee recommending the appointment of Mrs. Howard as first library laundress at £1 per week and Mrs. M. Lee as second library laundress at 18/- per week, both from 4th December 1926, be adopted. [p. 148]

Ordered that there be one Grand Day in Easter term and one in Michaelmas term in 1927. [p. 148]

Ordered that a application by Sir Gerald du Maurier on behalf of The Actors Orphanage for the use of the Hall and Gardens for a Ball to be held in the summer be granted. It was decided not to take advantage of Sir Gerald's offer to apply part of the proceeds to some legal charity. [p. 148]

Ordered that an application by the Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock Bt., K.C. on behalf of the Selden Society for permission to photograph the MSS. of Selden's Table Talk be granted. [p. 148]

Council held on January 31st, 1927. [p. 150]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"Read a memorandum by the Hon. Sir Malcolm Macnaghten, K.B.E., K.C., M.P., with regard to the position of Lincoln's Inn and the Metropolitan Asylums Board rate." [p. 152]

The motion of Mr. Justice Clauson that Rule 8 of the Rules for the election of Benchers be amended by inserting the words "without discussion" between the word "shall" in line 10 and "put" in line 11 was lost. [p. 152]

The following report of the Reading in Chambers Committee on the Buchanan Bequest was adopted.

"The Under Treasurer was instructed to ascertain from the Secretary to the Council of Legal Education whether that Council would be willing to arrange that the examiners for the Bar Final Examination should each term furnish to the Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn a certificate as to the candidate being a member of Lincoln's Inn and not over 25 years of age on the first day of the Examination, who in the opinion of the majority of the Examiners has passed best at the Final Examination. Assuming that an arrangement can be made for such a certificate to be furnished, the Committee are disposed, subject to further consideration after the above communication with the Council of Legal Education, to recommend to the Bench:—

(a) that the Trustees of Mr. Buchanan's will be requested to transfer to the Official Trustee of Charitable Funds the net share of residue applicable for the Buchanan Prize, and that it be referred to the solicitor of this Society to make the necessary arrangements accordingly, and for securing that the income of the fund be paid to the Treasurer for the time being of the Society on behalf of the Society for the purpose of the Buchanan Prize.

(b) that the fund be converted into consols so as to ensure

1. uniformity of income
2. reception of income without deduction of tax.

(c) that the income of the fund be applied by the Treasurer in making a payment each term of one fourth of the annual income, under the designation of 'The Buchanan Prize' to the student of the Inn not over 25 years of age on the first day of the Examination who is certified by the examiners to have passed best at the Final Examination for Call to the Bar for that term."

On the 29th November 1926 the Council of Legal Education agreed, in reference to the Buchanan bequest, to furnish the certificates asked for. In consequence the Committee confirmed the above recommendations. [pp. 153, 154]

The Under Treasurer reported the sudden death in the Library on 17th January of Mr. H.J. Whitaker, the Librarian, who had been employed by the Society for nearly 50 years. . . . [p. 154]

Read the following Report of the Library Committee

The Committee recommends the appointment of Mr. Suter, the present Deputy Librarian, as Librarian, in place of the late Mr. Whitaker and at the same salary, the engagement to be subject to six months notice of determination on either side.

The Committee recommends the appointment of Mr. Hodgkinson the present Assistant Librarian in place of Mr. Suter, at a salary of £400 per annum....

The Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock Bart. K.C. moved as an amendment:

"that the report be referred back to the Committee with an instruction that in the opinion of the Bench the Librarian of this Society should have such qualifications as are usually expected and found in the Librarians of Colleges in the Universities, the principal London Clubs, and other bodies of similar standing which promote learning and letters."

The amendment was lost and the Report adopted. [pp. 154, 155]

"The Report of the Library Committee recommending the appointment of Horace William Green as Library Porter at a wage of £3 a week and on such terms as to provision [of] livery, leave of absence &c. as the Librarian and the Under Treasurer may agree with him was adopted." [p. 155]

"The Order of the Library Committee to close the Library on Friday 25th February, the day of the Pegasus Club Ball was approved." [p. 155]

"Ordered that it be permissible for the senior Benchers in Hall to order champagne at the Bench Table." [p. 155]

Adjourned Council held on March 1st, 1927. [p. 157]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 152, 159]

The Rt. Hon. Lord Sinha K.C.S.I. as an Honorary member, with precedence immediately after the Rt. Hon. Sir Douglas Hogg, K.C., M.P., A.G.

"Ordered that the Report of the Library Committee recommending the appointment of C.W. Ringrose as Assistant Librarian at £200 p.a. determinable by three months notice on either side be adopted." [p. 158]

"Ordered that the offer of Messrs Quaritch to sell to the Society for £50 a ms. of a Year Book and similar matter of the 14th century be accepted¹ and that it be referred to the Library Committee as to what steps if any should be taken to exhibit the Year Books or other valuable manuscripts." [p. 159]

"With reference to the conference at the Middle Temple between representatives of the Bench of the Middle Temple and of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn on the subject of students of non-European origin, the Treasurer reported that it had not been found possible to recommend any course of action." [p. 160]

Adjourned Council held on March 29th, 1927. [p. 161]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Ordered that the motion of Thomas Cyprian Williams, that it be considered whether the Arms of the late Rt. Hon. Sir Joshua Strange Williams,

¹ See Introduction, *ante* p. 34, n. 2.

formerly a member of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council should be put up in the Hall, be referred to the Buildings, Chambers and General Purposes Committee for consideration and report. [p. 163]

"Read communications from the Society's solicitor re the Buchanan bequest announcing the receipt of an order from the Board of Charity Commissioners which now enables him to pay the £5000 received on account of the bequest to the Official Trustee of Charitable Funds but explaining that certain charges should strictly speaking be deducted from this sum. Ordered that he invest the £5000 and that subject to the approval of the Finance Committee the charges referred to be paid out of the common fund of the Society." [pp. 163, 164]

Council held on April 26th, 1927. [p. 165]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 163, 166]

Wilfred Mortimer Hunt.

"An application from the Epee Club for permission to fence in the gardens of the Society on the 23rd June was granted." [p. 166]

Council held on May 23rd, 1927. [p. 168]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Adopted a report of the Library Committee that they do not think it advisable to take any steps to exhibit the Year Books or other valuable manuscripts." [p. 169]

"Adopted a report of the General Purposes Committee recommending that one of the Society's waiters, G. Fisher, be placed on the staff of the Society at an inclusive wage of £2.10.- per week." [p. 170]

Adopted the following report, dated 13th May 1927, of Mr. T.W. Wilson on the Watts Fresco, and Ordered execution of the work there described.

THE WATTS FRESCO

As a result of my experience at the Houses of Parliament I was asked by Mr. Harold Speed, last autumn, to advise on the preservation of the fresco at Lincoln's Inn. I was glad of the opportunity to help in any attempt to save so important a work as this which is an unique example in the 19th century revival of English fresco painting. I had long been aware of the state of dissolution of the wall painting and I welcomed the opportunity of trying to save the work, both for historical reasons and its great artistic merits as a noble example of Watts' mural art. Its significance in the "Fresco Ordeal" of last century as one of the first, if not the very first example of the revival of true fresco, makes this panel an unique example and well worth any expenditure attaching to its preservation.

It is certain that if it is left much longer it may irretrievably perish beyond the possibility of being saved. An examination in October 1926 convinced me

that it was quite unsafe to try to deal with it by means of mere dusting, cleaning and washing and in the time available as much of the surface dust and dirt was removed as was safe, without risking the removal of the original colour. Even this vastly improved its appearance.

Generally, its condition is such that the upper third of the work is in a fair state; the middle third is delicate and friable and in many of the figures the colour is mere fine dust; the same in a lesser degree applies to the lower section where the figures and detail are less concentrated. It will therefore be necessary to fix the colour by the patient application of specially prepared heated wax, wax being a form of preservation already used by the late Professor Church, thus rendering other fixative mediums which might be available useless. It would, in my opinion, be futile and not desirable, for artistic reasons, to attempt to make it too bright by overloading. Age has given it a fine and noble quality which can certainly be maintained and rendered permanent.

As I indicated to the Committee, it is impossible to say definitely how much the actual cost will be, save very approximately. I think £500 will cover the work exclusive of electric lighting, scaffolding etc. Regarding the time available, I understand that from about the middle of July to the middle of October is the period, and I think it can be done during this time, unless unforeseen difficulties arise.

In regard to any over painting or repair, I have arranged with Mr. Speed to keep in touch and I will consult with him on any purely artistic problems which may arise, involving re-painting or serious repair outside general preservation. . . .

[The report concludes with detailed requirements for the carrying out of the work.] [*pp.* 170–172]

“Ordered that tea be provided on the occasion of the visit of the Danish Lawyers to the Inn on 23rd June next.” [*p.* 173]

“Ordered that an application from the Mayor of Ipswich requesting the Society to lend the portrait of Chief Baron Skynner by Gainsborough for the Bi-centenary Gainsborough Memorial Exhibition at Ipswich from 26th September to 22nd October be granted and that the Picture Committee settle the terms of the loan as to insurance and otherwise.”¹ [*p.* 173]

Council held on June 14th, 1927. [*p.* 176]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

“Ordered that the Report of the Special Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court dated 22nd April 1927 as to the position of the Inns of Court in relation to the expenditure of the Metropolitan Asylums Board be adopted.” [*p.* 176]

¹ This painting was one of three stolen in 1990. It was later recovered, but in the meantime the Inn's insurers had paid out the loss. The Inn did not attempt to purchase it when it was subsequently put up for sale by auction.

The Under Treasurer reported the death of Sir Arthur Whinney K.B.E. Auditor to the Society. The question of the appointment of an Auditor was referred to the Finance Committee. [p. 177]

"Ordered that the Arms of the late the Right Honourable Sir Joshua Strange Williams be put up in the Hall and that consideration of what Arms shall in future be put up on the Hall be adjourned to the next meeting of the Council." [p. 177]

"The Report of the Buildings Chambers and General Purposes Committee and of the Finance Committee recommending the adoption of the plans prepared by the Society's Architect for a proposed new building on the Kitchen Garden site, and that the work be proceeded with by the Society's building staff at once, on an estimate of approximately £2500, was adopted." [pp. 177, 178]

"The Treasurer reported that the Finance Committee had been in negotiation for the purchase of chambers in No. 5 New Square, first floor W. The price originally asked was £4950, but now it seemed likely that a bid of £4125, which had been made with the authority of the Finance Committee would be accepted. The return on the money would be approximately 5 per cent, as the tenant, Mr. Topham, paid a rent of £220 a year. The Treasurer's action was endorsed." [p. 178]

Council held on July 4th, 1927. [p. 181]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Middle Temple inviting this Inn to appoint members of a joint committee to consider the following proposals:

"(a) that it is imperative in the interests of each of the four Inns of Court and their good government that there should be an adequate supply of barristers of each Inn who practise, or have practised, in England, and

"(b) that the Masters of the Bench of the Middle Temple have serious ground for apprehension that there will not in future be a sufficient number of members of their Inn to provide suitable candidates for election to the Bench by reason of the admission of a disproportionately large number of students who intend to practise outside England and do not intend to reside in this country."

"Ordered that the matter stand over for further consideration." [p. 182]

"A portrait in oils of John Locke, offered to the Society as a gift by Sir Thomas Barclay was accepted with thanks." [p. 184]

"Read a communication from Rudolf G. Pickthall, a Barrister of this Society asking permission to accept a clerical post with a solicitor. Ordered that permission be refused as the Bench have no power to grant it." [p. 184]

The Under Treasurer on behalf of Lord Danesfort read the following report on the finances of the Society for the year ending 10th January 1927.

The net revenue from Property Account amounted to £6871 as compared with £6417 in the previous year—receipts from rent of chambers being increased by approximately £500 and expenditure by £140. Note: building repairs were heavier by approximately £750, rates and taxes etc. were less by approximately £800.

Members Account necessarily shows a large annual deficit, representing, as it does, all domestic expenditure, with only fees to set against it. The deficit on this account was £8766 against a deficit of £7596 in the previous year. Total receipts from fees were approximately £800 up, owing largely to an increased number of vacancies on the Bench and therefore more fees from new Benchers on election, but expenditure was unusually heavy, an addition of £900 to miscellaneous payments representing the cost of rewiring the Hall and providing new hot plates, while an extra expense of £350 was due to the Chapel being re-wired and its heating apparatus repaired.

The total excess of receipts over payments on ordinary revenue and expenditure accounts amounted to £2137 against £3032 in the previous year, the difference being due almost entirely to the exceptional expenditure on the Hall already mentioned.

All expenditure on the Old Hall, as well as the cost of partially rebuilding 17 and 21 Old Buildings, and the cost of installing lifts etc. in the Hall, has been charged to the Special Reserve Fund. This special expenditure amounted to £3971 as against £1881 in the previous year. A balance of £4280 remains to the credit of the Special Reserve Fund, to which the credit balance of the year under review, £2137, will be added. The total expenditure on the Old Hall to the end of May 1927 has been £4934.

	<i>Admissions</i>	<i>Calls</i>
1922	122	53
1923	88	66
1924	101	74
1925	71	70
1926	96	53
[pp. 184, 185]		

Adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee for the appointment of Messrs. Whinney, Smith and Whinney as the auditors to the Society as from the date of Sir Arthur Whinney's death [on 30th May 1927] to 10th January 1929 at the rate of 50 guineas per annum, and the further recommendation that for the future the appointment be an annual one and made at the same Council as the appointment of Officials of the Bench. [p. 186]

Ordered that in future Arms be placed in the Hall only by Order of the Bench. [p. 186]

"Ordered that the question of binding further copies of the Black Books and a proposal that a list of the existing Barristers be prepared and printed be referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 186]

Adjourned Council held on 26th July, 1927. [p. 187]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Order of Council dated 25th November 1896 'that a copy of the Records be presented to every Bencher applying for the same' be rescinded and that the charge to Benchers for a set of the Black Books be £2.2.- to Barristers of the Inn £4.4.- and to others £8.8.-" [p. 188]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1927. [p. 189]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 187, 189, 190]

Tom Eastham, K.C.

"Read communications from Messrs. Lee, Bolton and Lee as to the appointment of Canon Simpson of Rochester as Warburton Lecturer." [p. 190]

"An application from Sir Henry Burke K.C.V.O., Garter King of Arms for permission to take a photograph of an entry in the Admission Register, viz. the Admission of William Byrde in 1697 was granted." [p. 190]

"Sir Arthur Underhill called attention to the valuable restoration work, now completed, on the Watts fresco in the Hall. The work had been admirably executed by Mr. Thomas Wilson, superintendent of works to the Houses of Parliament, under the supervision of Mr. Harold Speed. He suggested that it should be referred to the Pictures Committee to consider and report as to what recognition of Mr. Speed's very valuable and gratuitous services should be made by the Inn. The suggestion was unanimously adopted." [pp. 190, 191]

"Sir Arthur Underhill also reported an interesting discovery, made in the first place by Sir Malcolm McIlwraith. A portrait of the famous Duchess of Marlborough (Sarah Jennings) by Sir Godfrey Kneller, at present offered for sale by Messrs Cooling of New Bond Street, proved to be almost an exact replica of the portrait of an unknown lady possessed by Lincoln's Inn now hanging in the Council Room. This clearly proved the identity of the lady and made it more probable than ever that the Lincoln's Inn portrait was by Kneller."¹ [p. 191]

Council held on November 2nd, 1927. [p. 192]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 190, 197]

Sir Benjamin Lennard Cherry.

John Herbert Stamp.

Officers for 1928. [p. 198]

Treasurer: Sir Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C.

Master of the Library: Robert Frederick Norton, C.B.E., K.C.

¹ The identity of the subject and the attribution to Kneller have been recently challenged. The artist is said to be Jonathan Richardson (1665-1745), the subject unknown.

Dean of the Chapel: Nathaniel Micklem, K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bt., K.C.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Blanesburgh, G.B.E.

Ordered that the following reply be sent to the Ministry of Health re the position of this Society in relation to the Metropolitan Asylums Board rate.

"I have the honour to inform you that in accordance with the request contained in your letter dated the 23rd October 1926, the Masters of the Bench of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn entered into consultation with the Benchers of Gray's Inn and of the Inner and Middle Temples with regard to the contributions made by the four Inns of Court to the Metropolitan Asylums Board and that a Joint Committee representing the four Inns was thereupon appointed to consider the matter and make a report thereon. The Joint Committee after giving careful and full consideration to the matter came to the conclusion that each Inn should make such answer to your letter as might seem suitable to its particular case. In these circumstances I am now directed by the Masters of the Bench to place before you the facts of the case so far as they affect this Inn of Court.

"The Parish of Lincoln's Inn consists of

- (1) The 'Vill or Township' of Lincoln's Inn constituted by 10 George IV chap. xxxii.
- (2) A part of the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields, which in 1847 was added to the 'Vill or Township' of Lincoln's Inn by 10 and 11 Victoria chap. ccxi.
- (3) Part of the parish of St. Clements Danes, and
- (4) Part of the Liberty of the Rolls (parish of St. Dunstons-in-the-West).

"By the Borough of Holborn Order in Council (S.R.O. 1900 No. 392) the parish of Lincoln's Inn was included in the new Metropolitan Borough of Holborn and the Holborn Council became the rating authority for the whole parish. Before that date the Masters of the Bench had power to levy certain rates in the 'Vill or Township' of Lincoln's Inn; but these powers were abrogated in 1900. The Benchers never had any power to levy rates in those parts of Lincoln's Inn which formerly belonged to St. Clements Danes or the Liberty of the Rolls.

"The Holborn Borough Council levy half-yearly a single rate upon all the rate-payers in the Inn, including, of course, the Benchers. The valuation of all the rateable hereditaments in the Inn at the present time is £38,148; the valuation of the hereditaments for which the Benchers are rateable, is £2837. The rate levied on the hereditaments in Lincoln's Inn by the Holborn Borough Council is for the purpose of (inter alia) meeting the contributions payable by the Borough Council to the Metropolitan Poor Fund; and it may be—as the London County Council contend is in fact the case—that the effect of the Local Government (Emergency Provisions) Act 1916 has been to reduce the rate which the Holborn Borough Council levy upon the Benchers and the other rate-payers in the parish of Lincoln's Inn half-yearly.

"In their letter dated the 4th August 1926 the London County Council furnished you with their estimate of this supposed reduction for the nine years 1916 to 1925 and you will observe that according to their own estimate it amounts to a rate of 16.887 of a penny (say 1/5d.) in the pound. The Masters of the Bench are by no means satisfied that the estimate made by the London County Council is correct; they are disposed to think that, if the matter were fully investigated that estimate would be reduced considerably. But accepting their estimate as correct for the present purposes, it appears that in the opinion of the London County Council the relief from rates which the Benchers actually obtained during those nine years by reason of the provisions of the Act of 1916 did not exceed £200 or approximately £22.5. per annum.

"As you are aware the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn have already made voluntary payments to the Metropolitan Asylums Board amounting to £337.10. In these circumstances I am directed by the Masters of the Bench to say that they see no ground on which they can reasonably be asked to make any further contribution to the Metropolitan Asylums Board and that they hope to hear that the London County Council acquiesce in this view.

"Since the London County Council have for the present at least withdrawn the proposal, which they originally made, that the parish of Lincoln's Inn should be included in the Metropolitan Asylums District, it is unnecessary to deal with that matter; but in case the proposal should be again put forward, I am to point out that each of the four constituent parts of the parish of Lincoln's Inn is subject to a special rate described in the Demand Notes as 'An additional item of the general rate' and that a proposal to include Lincoln's Inn in the Metropolitan Asylums District would necessarily involve consideration of these special rates. In the event of Lincoln's Inn being included in the Metropolitan Asylums District it seems that the equality of rating, which the London County Council are anxious to secure, would involve the abolition of these special rates and that, of course, is a matter which concerns the Poor Law Guardians by whom the proceeds of these special rates are received." [pp. 194-197]

Adopted the following report of the Picture Committee, dated 1st November 1927.

"Recommended the payment to Mr. Thomas Wilson of the fee of One Hundred Guineas (as previously arranged) for his work on the Fresco in Hall accompanied by an expression of the appreciation and thanks of the Masters of the Bench for his valuable services.

"Approved and recommended to the Bench the report of Sir Arthur Underhill, that pursuant to the directions of the Council he has provisionally arranged with Mr. Harold Speed that the Bench should purchase for him a set of silver plate consisting of a vase and two candelabra which Mr. Speed has seen and admires, and that the vase should have a suitable inscription on its stand. The cost of the service and the stand and inscription will, it is understood, amount to about Fifty Guineas.

"It is suggested that the inscription should be

Presented to Harold Speed Esq.
by
The Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of
The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn
as a token of their gratitude
for his voluntary services in
the restoration of
the great Fresco
in their Hall
1927

"The Committee recommend to the Bench that the request by the Royal Academy for the loan of the portrait of Lord Davey by Solomon J. Solomon R.A. for their Winter Exhibition, be acceded to, subject to proper terms as to insurance etc., and that the picture be insured for £2000." [pp. 198, 199]

Council held on November 25th, 1927. [p. 201]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Ordered that until further order the Under Treasurer be authorised to inform all overseas applicants for Admission that from and after the 1st January 1928 not more than a limited number of overseas students will be admitted between the end of one term and the last day of the next subsequent term; and that applicants will be placed on a waiting list. [p. 201]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee:

"Re sale of 24 Newgate Street"

"The Committee resolved to recommend the Council to accept the offer of £9000 for the above property referred to in Messrs Garrett White and Poland's letter of the 5th November 1927 if confirmed by their Principals, subject to contract and on the basis that no question of title or boundary referred to in Messrs. St. Quintin Son and Stanley's valuation of the 1st September 1927 be raised, and that the solicitor of the Society be instructed to proceed in the matter in due course. Subject also to there being added to the purchase money the surveyor's fee referred to in the minute of 26th July 1927." [p. 202]

"A silver mustard pot and spoon for use at the Benchers luncheon table was presented in memory of the late William Michael Spence Esq. by his widow and daughters and the Treasurer was requested to write a letter of thanks." [p. 203]

Adjourned Council held on December 14th, 1927. [p. 204]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"The Under Treasurer reported the completion of the purchase by this Society of chambers on the second and third floors south No. 3 New Square at the price of £2750." [p. 204]

"A communication from Mr. F. Hinton Jameson¹ offering to sell his property in Chancery Lane and Bishop's Court to this Society was referred to the Buildings, Chambers and General Purposes Committee." [p. 205]

"An offer to present to this Society a bust of His Honour Judge Henry T.J. Macnamara deceased was declined with thanks." [p. 205]

Treasurer: Charles Edward Elliott Jenkins, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. March 7 Dighton Nicholas Pollock
2. July 1 Sir Henry Alexander Giffard, K.C.
3. July 27 William Michael Spence
4. August 27 John Eustace Harman

Biographical notes

1. Pollock. b.1864. Grandson of Chief Baron Pollock (1783-1870) and son-in-law of Viscount Buckmaster. Junior equity counsel to the Treasury in succession to James Austen Cartmell (d.1921). Photograph at (1927) 63 L.J. News. 237.

2. Giffard. b.1838. Reader in Equity at the Inns of Court 1888-1891. Bailiff of Guernsey 1902-1908.

3. Spence. b.1849. Conveyancing counsel of the Court from November 1918.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Wilfrid Mortimer Hunt
2. Tom Eastham, K.C.
3. Sir Benjamin Cherry
4. John Herbert Stamp.

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Council held on January 11th, 1928. [p. 206]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Ordered that "a special sub-committee be appointed to consider the desirability or otherwise of revising the Consolidated Regulations in so far as they deal with overseas Students" and the Treasurer and four other Benchers were appointed members of the sub-committee. [pp. 206, 207]

¹ F.H. Jameson thought that he was entitled to a lease of 999 years from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners. It transpired that he was entitled to the residue of terms of some eighty years only. He occupied part of the property for the business of auctioneers and surveyors, and sublet the remainder, part of it to the Post Office.

Council held on January 31st, 1928. [p. 209]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Ordered upon further consideration of a communication from the Middle Temple¹ that this Inn accept the invitation to attend such conference provided that the other Inns agree to do so... [p. 210]

Ordered that the new building in the Kitchen Garden be named "Garden House" and its two sets of Chambers be numbered respectively 14 and 15 New Square. [p. 219]

Read the following communication from the Architect, dated 27th January 1928, which was referred jointly to the Finance Committee and the Buildings etc. Committee for consideration in greater detail, especially as to the cost involved, and for report to the next Council.

LINCOLN'S INN OLD HALL

With this I send you a sketch plan of the proposed extension at north end, together with a very rough view. The latter is not very satisfactory to me, the draughtsman has made the oriel too large and heavy; but the whole design requires study for which the time has been insufficient. It may serve, however, to give the Council a general idea of the proposal. If the order is made on Monday I would have the building ready by the autumn with the Hall itself. You will notice that the new rooms and lavatory provided can be used in connection with both the Chapel and the Hall.

The Hogarth picture should, I recommend, be cleaned before it is finally fixed up in the Hall (for which it was originally painted). Roller is in my opinion the best man to deal with an historic picture of this kind.

I also send you a drawing showing the ancient linen-fold panelling which has been discovered, with which the Hall was lined. If the Council decide to replace the remainder I can get it done by the autumn. Kerridge who has assisted Clark in repairing the oak roof timbers, has a man who has done similar work for me most admirably. He has also a stock of oak 500 years old which we could use. I have a fixed price from him of £1100 which includes the window seats. This old panelling is of very fine character, almost identical with that in Wolsey's chamber at Hampton Court (of which I send a photograph), and probably by the same hand.

We shall want some very simple oak tables and benches to furnish the Hall; the Society's staff could make these if the Council approve. I send you a plan of the proper layout. There were three long tables at one time, but the third was placed only because of the pressure of students, and it is not now needed or desirable. I propose to make these tables in three lengths for convenience of handling.² [pp. 219-22]

¹ see *ante* p. 267.

² These tables were sold to Members for £750 each when the Old Hall was refurbished in 1991 (BB.54A/194, 198).

Council held on February 21st, 1928. [p. 222]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Arthur Lee Ellis [pp. 221, 223]

"Adopted the Report of the Joint Finance and Buildings etc. Committee recommending the Council to adopt the scheme submitted by Sir John Simpson to build rooms with a carriage way underneath between the Old Hall and Chapel at an estimated cost of £1800 and to have linenfold panelling placed in the Old Hall." [p. 222]

The Treasurer was authorized to inquire if it would be possible for His Majesty the King to attend the re-opening of the Old Hall as senior Bencher and what kind of function would be desirable. [pp. 222, 223]

"Adopted the Report of the Finance Committee recommending the Council to support an appeal by the Society of Public Teachers of Law on behalf of the widow of the late Dr. W.C. Bolland¹ for assistance from the Civil List." [p. 223]

"Read a communication from Benjamin Kyanski, a Barrister of this Inn, that his name has been altered by Deed Poll to Bernard Benjamin Gillis."² [p. 223]

"An offer by Lord Jessel of a portrait of the late Rt. Hon. Sir George Jessel was referred to the Picture Committee." [p. 224]

"An offer from Rayner M. Neate, Esq, to present to the Society some sketches by the late Vice-Chancellor Bacon was accepted with thanks." [p. 224]

"The Treasurer asked for the opinion of the Bench with reference to an invitation to himself, as Treasurer of the Inn, from the Indian Students Union and Hostel. It was considered inadvisable that he should accept the invitation officially as Treasurer of the Inn." [p. 224]

Adjourned Council held on March 27th, 1928. [p. 225]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Charles Alan Bennett, K.C. [pp. 223, 226]

Approved the general design of the railings for the Kitchen Garden and authorised the Building Committee to settle and arrange the details thereof. [p. 227]

Adopted the report of a special sub-committee of the Bench on Overseas Students and approved the insertion in the Consolidated Regulations of the

¹ William Craddock Bolland (1854-1927), Legal Historian, called to the Bar by Lincoln's Inn in 1880. See entry in Simpson's *Biographical Dictionary*, and Holdsworth's tribute at (1928) 44 L.Q.R. 22.

² Called 1927; Bencher 1960; Treasurer 1976; died 1996.

proposed new regulations therein recommended. Ordered that the proposed new regulations be referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar for consideration and report and that the Report be forwarded to the Joint Committee and that the Report and the proposed new Regulations be sent to the other three Inns.

REPORT ON OVERSEAS STUDENTS

The students of Lincoln's Inn fall, with exceptions of quite trifling importance, into two fairly well defined classes, viz:

(A) Persons who have had their school education in the United Kingdom and (usually after some further University training in the United Kingdom) desire to become Barristers of the Inn in order either

- (1) to practise as barristers in England, or
- (2) to practise as legal practitioners in some portion of the Empire outside the United Kingdom, or
- (3) without any intention of practising

(B) Persons who have had their school education in the part of the Empire to which they belong by domicile, and (usually after some further University training either in the country of their domicile or in the United Kingdom) desire to become Barristers in order to practise as legal practitioners in that part of the Empire to which they belong by domicile.

Class (A) comprises a few students who are domiciled in other parts of the Empire than the United Kingdom; but for all practical purposes the only students who are domiciled outside the United Kingdom are either men from South Africa and Australia who are indistinguishable as regards education, training etc., from the ordinary English student, or men from such places as the Straits Settlements, Mauritius, and the West Indies belonging to locally domiciled families and but little distinguishable from the ordinary English student. In the case of all the students who fall within Class A their studentship of the Inn is the natural and normal coping stone of an education commenced in England at the ordinary Public School age. So far as students who fall into Class A are concerned no alteration in the regulations seems to be required, though some of them happen to be overseas students.

The position of the students who fall within Class B is, however, fundamentally different. Into this class fall practically all the students from India, Ceylon and Cyprus; it also comprises a few students from the West Indies who have not been able to afford or whose families have not desired for them the education in England which the professional classes in that part of the Empire usually compass for their sons. Nearly all students in Class B intend to practise in the country of their domicile, and their purpose in joining the Inn may be either

- (1) the purpose of completing their education by gaining a legal training which they can obtain better here than in the country of their domicile, or

(2) the purpose of acquiring by being called to the English Bar a qualification which will enable them to obtain the right to practise as advocates in the country of their domicile without passing the tests (e.g. service of articles, examinations etc.) imposed by local law on those who are not English barristers.

The former purpose is in every sense a legitimate purpose and one which ought to be encouraged; the latter is a purpose which may properly be discouraged.

An Overseas Student who has come over from the country of his domicile after school for the legitimate purpose of gaining here a better legal training than in his own country, will obtain the benefits he seeks far more certainly and effectively if he comes with the benefit of having had such legal training at home as the country of his domicile affords. It is precisely the student who has not taken advantage of such legal training as his own country affords, who comes over here for the purpose of avoiding the tests normally imposed as a condition of legal practice by the rules of his own country. The students of this class benefit little by the training offered by the Inns of Court, and fail time after time at the examinations.

The object of discouraging Overseas Students who fall into the latter class, and encouraging those who come here for the legitimate purpose above mentioned can be promoted if not achieved, by the alterations of the Consolidated Regulations which are appended. It is suggested that the Inn should propose those alterations in the usual way. It may be thought right, if this report be adopted by the Council, that its substance should be communicated to the other Inns in explanation of the proposed alterations.

[Draft alterations follow but are omitted here] [*pp.* 227-232]

Ordered that the freehold messuage No. 24 Newgate Street in the City of London belonging to the Society¹ be sold to the Great Western Railway Company for the sum of [£9000]. . . [*p.* 232]

Council held on April 17th, 1928. [*p.* 233]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Refused an application from the Duke of Devonshire for a donation to the Sadlers Wells Fund. [*p.* 234]

Adopted the following Report of the Committee re proposed scholarships.

28th March 1928. We recommend to the Council to authorize the Treasurer to offer, on behalf of the Benchers, Cholmeley Studentships on the lines indicated in the draft notice which we have settled, and to take such consequential measures as he may, in consultation with this Committee think proper.

¹ The Society had acquired it under the will, dated 30 April 1565 of Sir Roger Cholmeley on his death in the following June: 1BB.348; Archive Dic.

LINCOLN'S INN
CHOLMELEY STUDENTSHIPS

In November 1928 and annually until further notice the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn will elect to not more than four Cholmeley Studentships, two to be held by members of the University of Oxford, and two to be held by members of the University of Cambridge. The Studentships will be open to all members of the university who are reading for Honours, whether in Law or in any other subject. [Detailed provisions follow as to the mode of application, the requirements, privileges and emoluments of the Students.] [pp. 234-236]

"Granted an application from the Royal Institute of British Architects for permission to arrange for broadcasting the speech of the Duke of York to be delivered at their dinner in the Hall on 23rd May next." [p. 236]

"Ordered that the Arms of the Rt. Hon. Lord Sinha P.C., K.C.S.I., K.C. and the Hon. Mr. Justice Maugham be put up in the Hall." [p. 236]

Council held on May 14th, 1928. [p. 239]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Resolved that it be referred to the General Purposes committee to enquire into the parking of cars inside the Inn by persons who are neither members of the Inn nor tenants of chambers in the Inn and to report to the Council how this growing practice may be prevented without prejudice to the temporary parking of cars while their owners are transacting business with members of the Inn or tenants of chambers. [p. 243]

"Approved the purchase of the Bishop's Court property offered to the Society by Mr. Jameson if it can be obtained on reasonable terms. Referred to the Finance Committee to negotiate the terms of purchase with authority if found necessary to sign a contract for purchase without further reference to the Council."¹ [p. 243]

"Accepted with thanks from H.W. Simpkinson, Esq., the gift of a silver-gilt inkstand which had belonged to his Grandfather, Treasurer in 1845 and was used by Queen Victoria on the occasion of the opening of the New Hall in that year." [p. 243]

"Ordered that the gates of the Inn be closed annually on Ascension Day as was formerly the practice, and that the Under Treasurer report such closing annually to the meeting of the Council next following Ascension Day." [p. 244]

Council held on June 5th, 1928. [p. 245]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Received the Under Treasurer's reports (a) that the gates of the Inn were closed on Ascension Day; and (b) that the sale of the freehold of 24 Newgate

¹ See *ante*, p. 273, n. 1.

Street for the sum of £9000 to the Great Western Railway Company had been completed. [p. 246]

"Ordered that a Special Council be summoned to consider the conduct of William Edward Akaje Macaulay, a Barrister of this Society."¹ [p. 246]

"Resolved that the thanks of this Society be given to Henry Walrond Simpkinson, Esq., C.B., for his gift to the Society of the glass decanters and wine glasses, made for the use of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria on the occasion of her opening the New Hall in 1845, and of the silver gilt inkstand (belonging to his Grandfather, Sir Francis Simpkinson, Kt., the Treasurer of the Society in that year) which was used by Her late Majesty on that occasion, and that the Treasurer be requested to forward to the said Henry Walrond Simpkinson a copy of this Resolution." [pp. 246, 247]

Council held on June 25th, 1928. [p. 250]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

"Evan Lewis Thomas, Esq., K.C., was appointed to take stock of the Society's plate." [p. 252]

Adjourned Council held on July 25th, 1928. [p. 253]

Thirty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Percy Melmoth Walters [pp. 251, 254]

"The Under Treasurer reported the death of Mr. A. Weatherley Marriott, formerly Steward (for 35 years), and a Pensioner of the Society. It was resolved that an expression of sincere regret and deep sympathy of the Bench be conveyed to his widow..." [p. 254]

"The Under Treasurer reported the death of Austin Topley, formerly Usher of the Hall, and a Pensioner of the Society." [p. 255]

"The Treasurer reported a presentation to the Library from the Library of Congress, Law Library, Washington, of a copy of the latest revision of the Federal Statutes known as the Code of Laws of the U.S.A. and stated that he had written a suitable letter of thanks." [p. 255]

"Permission was granted Mr. Arthur Moreland to sketch the interior of the Old Hall subject to arrangement with the Under Treasurer." [p. 255]

"Resolved that the best thanks of the Bench be given to Mr. James Hiley Buckthorpe, the Night Master and formerly one of the Badge Porters of the Inn, for his most interesting gift of a large pewter tankard dated 1822 and that this resolution be recorded in the Black Books. The Treasurer was directed to communicate this resolution to Mr. Buckthorpe." [pp. 255, 256]

¹ See *post* [285].

Resolved that the following inscription be placed on a stone at the west doorway of the Old Hall:

This Hall was built in the fifth year of King Henry VII and restored by the Architect and Workmen of the Honourable Society in the eighteenth year of King George V. [p. 256]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1928. [p. 257]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Read the following communication, dated 21st September 1928, from the Rt. Hon. Lord Stamfordham.

"I am now able to let you know that their Majesties would be able to visit Lincoln's Inn to open the restored Hall on the afternoon of Thursday, 22nd November. The King and Queen will do this on their return from opening the new Spitalfields Market. I have explained to His Majesty that you do not propose to make the visit too formal; that the King would declare the Hall re-opened without any speech, and, as arranged with you on the 24th July last, Their Majesties, if fine, would walk to the New Hall and have tea, when a few people would be presented. I hope that these arrangements will be acceptable to your Council."

Ordered the Treasurer and [three other Benchers] be appointed a Committee to make detailed arrangements for the Royal Visit. [p. 260]

Council held on November 2nd, 1928. [p. 261]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Christopher John Wickens Farwell, K.C. [pp. 259, 263]

"Adopted the report of a Special Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court appointed to consider and report on the conditions which shall govern the admission to the Four Inns of Court [of] students of the Inn of Court of Northern Ireland and Ordered that subject to its adoption by the other Inns, it be referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar for the purpose of effecting the necessary alterations in the Consolidated Regulations." [p. 262]

Adopted the following reports of the Buildings and Finance Committees.

Upon consideration of the purchase of the Bishop's Court property, the Buildings Committee "recommends the purchase of the freehold from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners at a price not exceeding £20,000 and Vendors costs. Mr. Stanley¹ to try to obtain some reduction." The Finance Committee concurred. [pp. 262, 263]

¹ A chartered surveyor, senior partner in the firm of St. Quentin, Son & Stanley, acting for the Society. The purchase was completed on June 27th, 1929.

The Treasurer reported that after consulting Miss Haldane he had come to the conclusion that it would be inadvisable to hold a Memorial Service in Lincoln's Inn so long after Lord Haldane's death.¹ In consequence he had taken no further steps with regard to the suggested memorial service to Lord Haldane and Sir Lawrence Jenkins. He proposed that in the circumstances the Bench should pass a special resolution recording their appreciation of Lord Haldane's services to the Law and the Country and their sympathy with the members of his family. In consequence the following resolution was passed unanimously and it was Ordered that a copy be sent to Miss Haldane.

"The Council desire to place on record their high appreciation of the great services, both judicial and administrative, rendered to the country by Lord Haldane in the discharge of the duties of the high offices which he held in the State, their sense of the loss which the Society sustained by his death, and their deep sympathy with the members of his family."

A proposal by Mr. Justice Eve that a memorial tablet to Lord Haldane should be placed in the Chapel Vestibule, as had been done in the case of Lord Davey and two others, was referred to the Building and General Purposes Committee for consideration and report. [p. 264]

Officers for 1929. [p. 265]

Treasurer: Robert Frederick Norton, C.B.E., K.C.

Master of the Library: Nathaniel Micklem, K. C.

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bt., K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Blanesburgh, G.B.E.

Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr. Justice Romer.

"The Treasurer reported that he had received from a Bencher, who wished for the present to remain anonymous,² an offer to provide in coloured glass for the Old Hall eight coats of arms of former members of the Inn, with the suggestion that one should be placed in the upper part of each panel in the bays at the north end. This offer was accepted with thanks, which the Treasurer was desired to convey to the anonymous donor, and the matter was referred to the Pictures Committee." [p. 265]

"A portrait of the late Sir George Jessel³ offered by Lord Jessel to the Society was accepted with thanks and referred to the Pictures Committee." [p. 265]

"An offer to sell to the Society a picture of the Townsend Enquiry in the Old Hall, was declined." [p. 266]

"The Treasurer reported the arrangements, in so far as they had been decided, for the procedure on the occasion of the Royal Visit on the 22nd November. The King and Queen were expected to arrive at the Old Hall at

¹ Lord Haldane had died on August 19th, 1928.

² W.E. Tyldesley Jones: *post*, p. 304.

³ A posthumous portrait by M. Ayoub. It was exhibited at the Victoria and Albert Museum in 1956.

about 3.45 p.m. When the King had declared the Old Hall open, it was desired that all present except their Majesties, their attendants and the Officers of the Society, would cross to the New Hall. Their Majesties would follow after inspecting the Old Hall. They would be entertained to tea in the Drawing Room, to which only a strictly limited number of Benchers could be admitted. Fuller information would be issued in due course." [p. 266]

**RECORD OF THE VISIT OF HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN
TO LINCOLN'S INN TO RE-OPEN
THE OLD HALL ON THE 22ND NOVEMBER 1928**

Her Majesty the Queen, accompanied by H.R.H. the Duke of York, arrived at Lincoln's Inn at 3.45 p.m. and was received at the western door of the Old Hall by the Treasurer of the Inn (Sir Thomas Hughes, K.C.). Her Majesty was attended by The Lady Ampthill, Lady in waiting; the Rt. Hon. Sir W. Joynson-Hicks, Bart, Minister in Attendance; Brigadier-General the Earl of Lucan, Lord in Waiting; the Hon. C. Chichester and Capt. the Hon. A.H.L. Hardinge, equerries. The Royal party entered the Hall, in which the Benchers and their ladies were assembled, and proceeded to the dais at the north end. When Her Majesty was seated, the Treasurer spoke as follows:

On behalf of the Benchers, Barristers and Students of the Inn I desire to express our deep regret that His Majesty the King, our Senior Bencher, is unable through indisposition to be present today to take part in this ceremony, as he had graciously intended, and to say how grieved we are for the cause which has prevented His Majesty from conferring upon us this signal honour.¹ But I desire also to express our gratification that Your Majesty should be pleased to honour the Inn with your presence on this day and will graciously on His Majesty's behalf, declare this ancient hall open. The occasion is a notable one not only to the members of Lincoln's Inn but to all who find interest and pleasure in the dignity and charm of London's historic buildings.

This hall was built in the reign of Henry VII, himself a great builder. From 1490 to 1845 it was the centre of the corporate life of the Inn, intellectual, social and on occasion convivial. On the 29th February 1671 King Charles II with the Duke of York, Prince Rupert, the Duke of Monmouth and 'divers others of great qualitie' dined in this Hall and were admitted members of the Inn. The arms of the King and six of his friends now adorn the screen before you.

Early in the last century the hall suffered grievous defacement. Its delightful Tudor brickwork was concealed under a covering of stucco; the noble roof you now see was hidden by a plaster ceiling. It has now been restored to its ancient beauty. It is a matter of some pride that the work, which presented much difficulty, has been carried safely to completion by the Society's own

¹ The King was taken ill on 21st November, and remained ill for five months: see Kenneth Rose, *King George V* (1983), p. 355.

workmen under the skilled supervision of Sir John Simpson, ably assisted by the foreman, Mr. Clark.

By the Order of the Bench I pray Your Majesty to declare the Hall open.

The Lord Chamberlain, the Earl of Cromer:

By the King's command I have the honour to read His Majesty's gracious reply.

"I thank you most sincerely for the words of welcome which you have addressed to us today. It is a matter of great regret that I am prevented from being present in person.

"As your Senior Benchet it is always a great pleasure to me to come to Lincoln's Inn, with which I have been associated since 1892, when I had the honour of being invited to the Bench, and later, in 1904, of serving my year as Treasurer. I must however confess that during that year most of my duties were carried out by my old friend, Lord Alverstone. On this day—a landmark in the life of the Inn—I should have been especially glad to be with you in this ancient hall, the threshold of which no sovereign has crossed since Charles II was admitted member in 1671.

"We are all proud of the Old Hall and rejoice in the restoration of its former beauty. I feel sure that the work has been carried out with a skill and thoroughness reflecting the utmost credit on Sir John and the workmen of the Society, to whom I offer my warmest congratulations."

Her Majesty the Queen:

"In confidence that this Old Hall will now resume its integral part of the corporate life of Lincoln's Inn, I have much pleasure in declaring it open."

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There were then presented to Her Majesty [the Officers of the Society, the Under Treasurer and the following]

Sir John Simpson, K.B.E., Architect
F.W. Knight, Esq., Assistant Architect
Mr. Clark, Foreman of the Works
Mr. Cluit, Master Carpenter
Mr. Green, Master Mason
Mr. Bagwell, Master Bricklayer, and
Mr. Philpot, Master Joiner

The Queen then inspected the new withdrawing rooms over the archway joining the Old Hall to the Chapel, while the hall itself was cleared and the long oak tables re-arranged in the positions for which they were intended. Her Majesty returned to the hall to examine its features in detail, and subsequently crossed to the New Hall. H.R.H. the Duke of York left the Inn after inspecting the Old Hall, to keep another engagement.

In the New Hall were assembled a large number of Barristers of the Society, with their ladies, and certain of the Students. Here the Treasurer presented to

The Queen a gold key as a memento of the occasion. This and a gold clasp for a bag, which was subsequently presented to The Queen and graciously accepted by Her Majesty, were specially designed by Sir John Simpson. . . . [pp. 269–273]

Council held on November 26th, 1928. [p. 274]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Inner Temple dated 22 November 1928 on the subject of overseas students.

“The Inner Temple, having considered carefully the proposals of the Middle Temple and Lincoln’s Inn is unable to concur with that of the Middle Temple. The proposal of Lincoln’s Inn, in its opinion calls for serious consideration but the Inner Temple does not support it as it stands, nor does it at present submit in terms an alternative. It suggests that any scheme of the New Regulations should be to affirm that persons intending to practise at any other Bar, where there is local provision for admission to it, shall not be entitled to join an Inn of Court as of right, but that admission may be extended by the Bench of the Inn to applicants who have already qualified there to practise in their own country, or who have received in Great Britain or Ireland, or who shew other satisfactory grounds for desiring to join the English Bar.

“It is suggested that the Four Inns should meet, by one or two representatives from each, and settle the precise form. The Regulation should, it is submitted, be elastic enough to allow the Inn to admit consistently with it any person who makes out a reasonable case for seeking Call here, and it should be in such a form as to secure the interests of qualified and suitable applicants from India and the Colonies, while preventing the misuse of escaping local requirements.”

Ordered that the suggestion made by the Inner Temple that representatives of the Four Inns should meet to consider the proposals of Lincoln’s Inn as to Overseas Students be adopted. . . .¹ [pp. 276, 277]

“Ordered on the Motion of the Treasurer that the following entry be made in the Black Book.

In 1927 and 1928 the one storey building on the west side of the Kitchen Garden, occupied for many years by the Inns of Court Rifle Volunteers and Messrs. Gale, Law Stationers, was taken down. A new building was erected on the south-east part of the ground, to which the name of ‘The Garden House’ was given. Ornamental wrought iron railings were then erected on the west side of the garden. These railings were given to the Inn by Mr. Justice Tomlin, and were made to the design of his son Mr. Stephen Tomlin.

The Bench on behalf of the Inn record their appreciation of this generous gift.” [p. 278]

¹ Nothing came of this as the Inns were unable to agree.

Special Council held on December 18th, 1928. [p. 281]

Four Benchers present.

Ordered that William Edward Akaje Macauley, be disbarred and expelled from this Honourable Society...¹ [p. 281]

Council held on December 18th, 1928. [p. 282]

Fifty-two Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee re the Old Hall in which the Finance Committee concurred

Upon consideration of the remuneration of the Architect, the Committee recommend a payment of 500 guineas, and a gift of a piece of plate. The Committee further recommend that W.J. Clark, the Foreman of Works, be paid a gratuity of £100.

"Resolved that it is desirable that the Society should possess a portrait of the Lord Chancellor and that subject to Lord Hailsham's consent the Picture Committee be empowered to select an Artist and make the necessary arrangements." [p. 284]

"Granted an application from the Under Treasurer for the use of the Hall and Benchers rooms for the occasion of a dinner of old rowing Blues of Oxford and Cambridge in July 1929 to celebrate the centenary of the Oxford and Cambridge Boat Race." [p. 288]

"At the conclusion of the business the Treasurer presented to the Lord Chancellor a silver cup as a wedding gift from his brother Benchers and as a token of their affection and esteem. Lord Hailsham in accepting it expressed his gratitude and the loyalty and attachment which bound him to the Inn, and to his friends and fellow Benchers who had so honoured him."² [p. 288]

A SUPPER IN THE OLD HALL

At 7 p.m. on Wednesday the 19th December, 1928, the Society entertained at a supper on the Old Hall all those who had been closely connected with its repair during the last three years.

The Benchers present were the Treasurer (Sir Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C.) in the chair, Mr. Justice Eve, the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Lawrence, Robert Frederick Norton, C.B.E., K.C. (Master of the Library), Nathaniel Micklem, K.C. (Dean of the Chapel), and the Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bt., K.C. (Keeper of the Black Book).

The guests present were the Society's Architect, Sir John Simpson, K.B.E., and his assistants, Mr. Knight and Mr. Cornford; the Under Treasurer and the three clerks in his office; the Foreman of the Works (Mr. Clark), five master

¹ For the facts and circumstances leading to this disbarment, see *W.E.A. Macauley v. Judges of the Supreme Court of Sierra Leone* [1928] A.C. 344, P.C. For further details, see Introduction, *ante*, p. 15.

² The first Lord Hailsham married Mildred, widow of the Hon. Clive Lawrence in 1929. His first wife had died in 1925.

craftsmen and sixteen craftsmen. A number of ladies were also present, as each guest was permitted to bring a lady.

There were several toasts. In proposing the health of the guests the Treasurer outlined the history of the Old Hall and of its repair (as the Architect preferred to term it) which had added so remarkable a chapter to its story. To this repair all present had in one respect or another contributed, but most of all, Sir John Simpson. Sir John replied and proposed the health of the Bench, to which Mr. Justice Eve replied.

For the rest of the evening entertainment was provided by a concert party. [p. 289, slightly shortened]

Treasurer: Sir Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 12 James George Wood
2. February 28 Earl of Oxford and Asquith
3. June 9 Frederick Whinney
4. August 19 Viscount Haldane
5. December 24 Edgar Percy Hewitt, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Wood. b.1863. Conveyancer and equity draftsman. Antiquarian and local historian. Author of "Laws of the Forest of Dean."

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Arthur Lee Ellis
 2. Charles Alan Bennett, K.C.
 3. Percy Melmoth Walters
 4. Christopher John Wickens Farwell, K.C.
 5. Francis Kentdray Archer, K.C.
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Council held on January 11th, 1929. [p. 290]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"Referred to the Finance Committee a communication from the treasurer of a fund being raised for the establishment of a hall of residence in London for the benefit of British male students from the Dominions and Colonies for a donation." [p. 290]

"Referred to the Buildings Committee a communication from the Solicitor drawing attention to a proposal to insert in the contract for sale of the Bishops Court property a clause empowering the vendor to raise the height of their buildings on the other side of the street."¹ [p. 291]

¹ See *ante*, p. 280.

Council held on January 31st, 1929. [p. 296]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Francis Kentdray Archer, K.C. [*pp.* 293, 297]

"Refused an application from Dr. Matthews, Dean of Kings' College, London, for a donation towards the endowment in connection with their centennial appeal for a chair at Kings' College in memory of Frederick Denison Maurice, who was Chaplain at Lincoln's Inn from 27th April 1846 to 2nd November 1860." [*p.* 297]

Council held on March 14th, 1929. [p. 298]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Middle Temple of an Order appointing a Committee to consider and if necessary to confer with the other Inns on the proposals for the establishment of a hall of residence in London for the benefit of British male students from the Dominions and Colonies. Ordered that two named Benchers be appointed to represent this Inn in any joint conference that may be desirable on the above matter. Read communications from the Inner Temple and Gray's Inn of Orders appointing members of a Joint Committee to consider the above proposals. [*p.* 299]

"Adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee that this Inn has no moneys available for application to the proposed establishment in London of a hall of residence for British students of European origin." [*p.* 300]

"R.E.L. Vaughan Williams Esq., K.C. was appointed to represent this Society at a congress at Nice to be held by the Association Nationale des Avocats inscrits aux Barreaux de France, his expenses to be paid by this Society." [*p.* 300]

Council held on April 9th, 1929. [p. 302]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Ordered that during the Treasurer's absence through ill-health his duties be undertaken by Sir Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C., M.P., the previous Treasurer. [*p.* 302]

"Read a communication and revised Preliminary Memorandum re the proposed hall of residence for Dominion students in London." [*p.* 303]

The question of a donation to a chair at King's College in memory of Frederick Denison Maurice was re-considered and it was referred to the Finance Committee to settle the amount of the donation. [*pp.* 303, 304]

Council held on May 6th, 1929. [p. 306]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

"Read the report of the Picture Committee that arrangements had been made with Mr. William Nicholson to paint the portrait of the Lord Chancellor [Lord Hailsham], and that the portrait was on its way to completion." [*p.* 307]

Read the report of the Garden Committee recommending that three trees in the Court east of the Old Hall be removed, leaving only the tree in the centre. Ordered that the south west tree be cut down and that for the present the other trees be only lopped. [p. 307]

"An application from the Acting Returning Officer for the use of the Old Hall as a polling station on the occasion of the Parliamentary General Election was refused and it was referred to the Treasurer and Under Treasurer to provide another room if possible." [p. 308]

Council held on May 28th, 1929. [p. 309]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

"Granted an application from the Vicar of Holy Trinity Kingsway for the use of the Gardens on 20th July for an Infants School Treat." [p. 310]

"Sir Thomas Hughes K.C., Acting Treasurer reported that he had seen the Treasurer, Robert Frederick Norton Esq., C.B.E., K.C. and was satisfied that he wished to resign the Treasurership on the ground of ill-health. He read a letter from Mr. Norton to the same effect, and moved that in the circumstances the resignation be accepted with regret. This was carried..." [p. 310]

Sir Thomas Hughes K.C. was elected Treasurer for the remainder of the year. [p. 311]

Special Council held on June 17th, 1929. [p. 314]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Gavin Turnbull Simonds K.C. [pp. 308, 311, 317]

Read a Memo dated 30th May 1929 by the Chairman of the Council of Legal Education, Lord Atkin, containing the following extracts.

"The Council of Legal Education have passed a resolution expressing their opinion that the University Hall of Residence which is being promoted by Mr. F.C. Goodenough,¹ the Chairman of Barclay's Bank, deserves approval by the Inns of Court..."

"The proposed Hall of Residence is intended mainly for British male students of European origin from the Dominions and Colonies. It is proposed that the only other persons to be admitted would be British male students resident in the United Kingdom whose numbers would be about one third of the whole. It is intended to enable students from the Dominions to have some centre where they may meet and make friends with young fellows like themselves. There will be a large hall, squash racquets courts, swimming baths, etc, and residential rooms. The Institution is intended for students of all kinds who come to London to study law, medicine, engineering, science, arts,

¹ (1866-1934). He was born in India and maintained close connections with it, serving on the India Council 1917-1930. And see *ante*, p. 200.

etc. whether as members of the University of London or not. It is not proposed to have any teaching. It is not to form part of the University of London or any other University. It will be an independent institution: and while it is hoped that a representative of the University of London will join the Board of Management it is also hoped that equally there will be representatives of the Inns of Court, Law Society, College of Surgeons and of Physicians etc. The scheme has been favourably received. The Corporation of London have given a donation of £5000. The sums received to date amount to over £150,000 and a site has been or is in the course of being acquired in the Bloomsbury district.

"In the Council's opinion such an Institution can only do good. It will be an advantage to young overseas law students as to students of the United Kingdom to have such a meeting ground when they come to London; and the Council share the view expressed in Mr. Goodenough's memorandum that it is likely to be welcomed by parents overseas as well as by students. All that is desired by Mr. Goodenough is that when he asks for public support as he proposes to do shortly he may be able to say that the scheme has the general approval of the responsible educational authorities in London. The Council are of opinion that the Inns of Court may properly have such approval to the proposed scheme."

.....

Ordered that the report be received and adopted.¹ [*pp.* 315-317]

Read communications from the other three Inns of Court of Orders approving the above mentioned scheme

"Sir James Greig C.B., K.C. was appointed to represent this Honourable Society at a conference of the Federation des Avocats Belges at Courtrai on 29th and 30th June as a guest of the Federation." [*p.* 317]

The Under Treasurer reported the death on the 30th May of Frederick Romain, Chief Butler to the Society for the past 36 years.... It was further reported that Romain had bequeathed to the Inn his collection of records relating to the Inn. The Bench resolved that a tablet to his memory be placed in the cloister beneath the Chapel or elsewhere if it should be considered more suitable, and referred this matter to the Buildings and General Purposes Committee.... [*p.* 317, 318]

Ordered that £20,000 War Stock ... be sold and the proceeds placed to the credit of the Society's general account to provide the purchase money of the Bishop's Court property. [*p.* 318]

"Ordered that the Benchers of the Inner Temple be invited to a dinner at Lincoln's Inn on a day in October next to be arranged by the Treasurer." [*p.* 318]

¹ The scheme went ahead. The London Trust for Overseas Graduates was established, providing the William Goodenough House in Mecklenburgh Square as a hostel principally for overseas students.

"Granted a request from The First Garden City Ltd. that the Treasurer of the Inn should perform the opening ceremony next year at Letchworth of a bridge which is to be named 'Neville Bridge' in memory of the late Mr. Justice Neville.¹" [p. 318]

"Granted subject to arrangement with the Under Treasurer an application from Ideal Films Ltd. for permission to make a film study of Lincoln's Inn." [p. 319]

"Read an application from the Bentham Committee for Poor Litigants for the use of the Gardens for a Garden Party on Wednesday 17th July. Ordered that they be offered a Saturday afternoon in July." [p. 319]

Special Council held on July 16th, 1929. [p. 320]

Five Benchers present.

Complaint having been made against Isaac Frederick Reuben, a Barrister of the Society by Bijai Kishen Dhaon, a student of the Middle Temple and by another student, and evidence of the complaints having been given. Resolved that the charges made in the complaint of B.K. Dhaon have been established, and that I.F. Reuben be disbarred and expelled from the Society.² [p. 320]

Adjourned Council held on July 25th, 1929. [p. 321]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Robert Francis Norton, C.B.E., K.C.

"I am sending you a gift from myself to the Bench, a George II cup and cover of 1750, in memory of the many happy times which I have enjoyed with my fellow benchers at Lincoln's Inn. It has been in the possession of myself and my family for a long time and I should like it to find a permanent home at the Inn.

"It will give me great pleasure if the Bench would accept it."

Ordered that the gift be accepted with thanks and that the Treasurer be requested to send a suitable reply to Mr. Norton. [p. 328]

"Adopted the report of the Buildings, etc. Committee recommending that the proposal of the Architect (Sir John Simpson) to erect a row of flats at the northern end of the garden be adjourned sine die. Ordered that Sir John Simpson be thanked for the trouble he has taken in the matter." [p. 329].

Read the report of the Under Treasurer of the deaths of the Chief Porter (James Brock)³ the Upper Vestibule Porter (L.E. Passingham) the Students Common Room Attendant (E. Hill) and former Second Butler (James Hutchins) a pensioner of the Society. [p. 329]

¹ Sir Ralph Neville (1848-1918) had been President of the Garden City Association.

² An appeal to the judges was allowed: see *post*, p. 293.

³ He had been appointed in 1900: 5BB.344. And see *ante*, pp. 76, 86, 88.

Read the following report of the Buildings etc. Committee concerning the re-arrangement of staff duties consequent upon Romain's death. The report stated the Under Treasurer's recommendations as follows

1. I think it desirable that the Usher of the Hall (Winter) should vacate his present rooms in Old Buildings and occupy Romain's quarters.

2. I recommend that the duties of the Chief members of the staff be re-arranged as follows:

(a) Clift to be called Wine Butler and to have charge (as Romain had) of the dispensing of wine from the consumption cellar; Clift also to be in chief charge of the Society's plate etc. as now.

(b) that William Carpenter (now Bar Butler) be called Bench Butler, and that he have entire control of the Bench waiters for both luncheons and dinners. (Note: he is quiet in manner, clear headed, well spoken, and of decent appearance.) Carpenter is now to share with Clift in the charge of the plate.

I should like to point out that Romain's value being chiefly his long service, his devotion to the Inn and knowledge of its affairs, and his own peculiar character, he is literally irreplaceable from outside. To bring in a man from outside would be the reverse of an encouragement to the Society's staff, most of whom have served the Inn loyally for very many years and have hoped for slow promotion. The last point should be considered with reference to Brock's successor. Knight, the Second Porter is a man of fair education who took the rather poor post of Second Porter in the hope of promotion. He has carried out the whole of Brock's duties satisfactorily for the last three months or more.

The Committee recommended that the salary of Clift be raised to £200 and that of Carpenter to £190. Otherwise to go on as at present until after the vacation. Winter to live in Romain's quarters.

The Council adopted the Committee's recommendation except that the question of the permanent appointment of the two butlers, Clift and Carpenter, was ordered to be left over for reconsideration in the autumn. [pp. 329, 330]

Also adopted was the report of the Finance Committee which, inter alia, recommended that T. Leggatt be appointed Upper Vestibule Porter at a wage of £2.2.6 per week until 7th October and thereafter if found suitable at a wage of £2.5.-. per week. [pp. 330, 331]

"Read a communication from the London Society offering some copies of an article on the Old Hall." [p. 331]

"Lord Blanesburgh explained a suggestion he had made to the Lord Chancellor, and also to certain representatives of the other Inns, for providing better accommodation at the Privy Council offices for representatives from the Dominions and elsewhere who should be in this country on Privy Council business. He hoped that the four Inns would be willing to share the small initial and annual expense entailed by his scheme. The suggestion was very

favourably received by the Bench and informally approved in principle." [pp. 331, 332]

Adjourned Council held on October 14th, 1929. [p. 333]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"A resolution expressing the deep sorrow of the Masters of the Bench for the death of Robert Frederick Norton and their high appreciation of his character and of his long and valued services to the Society was carried unanimously. . . . It was further resolved that on the first Sunday of Michaelmas Term, the 3rd November, a Dead March should be played at the close of the service and that the Preacher should be asked to say a few words in reference to the late Treasurer." [p. 334]

**MEMORANDUM as to the Dinner
given to the Benchers of the Inner Temple**

An invitation from the Treasurer and Benchers of this Inn to the Treasurer of the Inner Temple to a dinner to be held in Lincoln's Inn Hall at some suitable date in October having been accepted with warm approval, the dinner was held in Hall on the 28th October 1929, and the Treasurer of the Inner Temple (the Hon Mr. Justice Avory) was accompanied by [thirty-six Benchers of the Inner Temple together with the Master of the Temple and the Sub-Treasurer].

The Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn (Sir Thomas R. Hughes K.C.) was in the chair. [Fifty other Benchers together with the Under Treasurer attended]

During the dinner a loving cup was passed round. The two cups presented to the Society by the American Bar Association in 1926 were used for the purpose. The only toasts proposed were "The King" and "Prosperity to the Inner Temple." Both were proposed by the Treasurer, Sir Thomas Hughes, and in proposing the latter toast he referred to the fact that on no previous occasion, as far as was known, had the Benchers of the Inner Temple dined with the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn. The Treasurer of the Inner Temple responded to the toast. [pp. 335, 336]

Council held on November 4th, 1929. [p. 337]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Harry Bevir Vaisey, K.C. [pp. 334, 338]

Officers for 1930. [p. 339]

Treasurer: Nathaniel Micklem, K.C.,

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bt., K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Blanesburgh, G.B.E.

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Romer.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Buckmaster.

"Ordered. . . that it be referred to the Finance Committee to consider and report whether the appointment of the two senior Butlers should be made

permanent and if so upon what terms and with what duties or what other provision should be made for the discharge of the Butlers' duties in connexion with the Inn and that the Committee take into consideration the proposal of Sir Alfred Hopkinson as to the appointment of a Committee to settle the duties of the staff." [pp. 337, 338]

"Adopted the Report of the Finance Committee recommending that T. Leggatt be appointed Upper Vestibule Porter in the place of L.C. Passingham deceased at a wage of £2.5.- per week as from 7th October 1929 and that H. Edwards be appointed Under Chapel Keeper and Day Watchman at a wage of £3 per week and that he wear the Society's livery." [p. 338]

"Adopted the Report of the Joint Finance and Picture Committees recommending the purchase of a portrait of Sir Thomas¹ Jones, Judge and Reader, Lincoln's Inn 1616 offered by Messrs. Sweet & Maxwell to the Society for £275." [p. 338]

"Ordered that the Arms of the Rt. Hon. Sir Binod Mitter² and the Hon. Mr. Justice Farwell be placed in the Hall." [p. 339]

Council held on November 25th, 1929. [p. 342]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Secretary to the Lord Chancellor stating that the judges had heard the appeal of I.F. Reuben against the sentence of the Benchers disbarring that gentleman, and after reviewing the case and hearing Mr. Reuben's evidence, and after hearing Mr. du Parcq and Mr. Pitman, unanimously decided to allow the appeal. Ordered that the order of Council of the 16th July 1929 disbarring Mr. Reuben be rescinded. [p. 342]

Ordered that the Rt. Hon. Sir Binod Mitter³ be invited to become an Honorary Member of the Bench with precedence at the Bench Table immediately after the Rt. Hon. Sir George Lowndes, K.C.S.I. [p. 348]

The Treasurer reported the answer of H.R.H. Prince George to the invitation sent to him to become an Honorary Bencher. The answer was contained in a letter from the Prince's Comptroller which included the following paragraphs.

"Prince George, as you know, has not been too well during the last few months and although he is now able to lead a more or less normal life

¹ There is some confusion here between Sir Thomas Jones (1614-1692) and Sir William Jones (1566-1640). The latter was Reader in 1616 and according to the Picture Committee minutes of October 28th, 1929, it was a portrait of Sir William Jones that was being offered for sale by Sweet and Maxwell. The Inn has portraits of both subjects. If, as seems conclusive, "Thomas" here is a mistake for "William", we are left without any reference to the acquisition of the portrait of Sir Thomas Jones before 1958 when it was undoubtedly in the possession of the Inn.

² See below.

³ (1872-1930) Called 1897. Standing counsel to the Government of India, 1910-1916. Advocate-General to the Government of Bengal, 1917. Appointed to the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, 1929. Died July 20th, 1930.

again, his doctor has advised him that he had better confine his functions to as few as possible in number for the present.

"His Royal Highness has therefore decided that he cannot undertake to carry out any function other than those which have already been arranged for him. I am sorry to have to write in this sense, but feel sure you will appreciate the reasons for His Royal Highness' refusal."

The Treasurer wrote expressing regret, the hope that the Prince would before long be enjoying the best of health, and that the invitation remained open. The Comptroller's reply contained the following passage

"The Prince is very glad to hear that the invitation remains open and hopes that he may be able to accept it at some later date.¹

"I am glad to say His Royal Highness is rapidly recovering from his chill, but I am afraid he will have to be rather careful of himself for the next few weeks." [pp. 345-348]

"Ordered that the Arms of the Hon. Mr. Justice Bennett be put up in the Hall." [p. 348]

Read the following letter from Miss Norton, dated 20th November 1929, to the Under Treasurer.

"My brother once said he thought Lincoln's Inn would be glad to have some extra salvers, so we are sending you two small ones (George II 1749) that belonged to him, and should be glad if you would ask the Bench if they would accept them in memory of him. He always enjoyed his association with the Inn so much."

Ordered that the offer be accepted with warm thanks. [p. 349]

Adjourned Council held on December 19th, 1929. [p. 351]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Buildings etc. Committee which in turn accepted the following recommendations of a sub-committee

"That in future when any chambers or other premises have to be let to a new tenant the rent should not be less

(1) in the case of a letting to a member of the Inn for professional purposes than a prescribed percentage below the rental value stated in Mr. Stanley's valuation.

(2) in other cases than the rental value stated in that valuation without the approval of the Buildings etc. Committee

"That a record should be made of the dates at which existing leases can be determined by the Society and that each case should be brought up for consideration by the Buildings etc. Committee not less than two months

¹ The Prince became an Honorary Bencher in 1932: *post*, p. 317.

before the date when the notice of determination can be given.”
[pp. 352, 353]

Treasurers: Robert Frederick Norton, C.B.E., K.C. Resigned May 28
Sir Thomas Hughes, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. April 19 H.H. Henry Yorke Stanger, K.C.
2. August 8 Robert Frederick Norton, above.

Biographical notes

1. Stanger. b. 1848. M.P. (L) N. Kensington 1906-1910. County Court Judge 1910-1922.

2. Norton. b. 1854. Author of *A Treatise on Deeds*.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Gavin Turnbull Simonds, K.C.
2. Harry Bevir Vaisey, K.C.

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Council held on January 13th, 1930. [p. 354]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of James Adolphus Clark, late Chief Clerk and a pensioner of the Society. [p. 355]

“Resolved that the Under Treasurer be directed to convey to C.M. Pitman Esq., K.C. of the Inner Temple,¹ the thanks of this Bench for his services in representing Lincoln's Inn at the hearing of the Reuben Appeal by the judges;² and further resolved that Mr. Pitman be invited to Grand Day in Easter Term.” [p. 356]

Council held on January 31st, 1930. [p. 358]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

The Treasurer reported that he had accepted an invitation from the Benchers of the Inner Temple to the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn to dinner at the Inner Temple Hall on Thursday 3rd February. [pp. 358, 359]

“Granted an Application on behalf of the Equity and Law Life Assurance Society for permission to place the shield of Lincoln's Inn in a stained glass window in their Board Room.” [p. 359]

¹ (1872-1948) Judge Advocate of the Fleet, 1924-1933; Official Referee, 1933-1945. In 1892 he rowed for Oxford in the Boat Race in the same boat as R.P.P. Rowe, the Under Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn, with whom he compiled the Badminton Library volume on Rowing, published in 1898.

² See *ante*, pp. 290, 293.

Adjourned Council held on March 18th, 1930. [p. 360]

Forty-three Benchers present

"Read invitations from the American and Canadian Bar Associations to the Bar of England, Ordered that £15 be contributed to clerical expenses etc. of the Committee of Management." [p. 361]

"Adopted the following Report of the Committee appointed to consider the procedure to be adopted in cases of complaint against Members of this Society

"Your Committee beg to report that the procedure adopted of recent years by Lincoln's Inn in these cases seems to them to be unsatisfactory in several respects. In particular they consider that the decision of this Inn upon the conduct of an accused member should be that of a Council meeting attended by a substantial number of Benchers, and it is suggested that there should be from 12 to 20 members present to express the decision of the Council. The other Inns take the same view.

"It almost necessarily follows and in any case it is desirable that there should be some work of a preliminary kind undertaken before the matter comes before the Council. Your Committee are strongly in favour of this work being done by a Discipline Committee who will be ready to act without delay whenever a complaint is made against a Member. There are a number of minor consequences; and your Committee have thought it best to follow the example of Gray's Inn in forming a nearly complete set of rules of procedure rather than to let the procedure be improvised from time to time. . . ." [pp. 361, 362]

[A lengthy set of rules was appended: pp. 362-365]

Adopted a recommendation of the Picture Committee approved by the Finance Committee that Mr. Justice Maugham be authorised at his discretion as opportunity arises to spend out of the funds of the Society a sum not exceeding £200 on oak furniture for the two rooms adjoining the Old Hall, thus making a start in furnishing them. [p. 365]

Council held on April 29th, 1930. [p. 367]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

"The Treasurer was requested to select a representative to attend the Xth International Penal and Penitentiary Congress at Prague in August." [p. 369]

Council held on May 26th, 1930. [p. 372]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Henry Tindal Methold.¹ [pp. 365, 369, 374]

Richard Henry Hodge. [pp. 369, 375]

¹ A Master in Lunacy, 1928-1944.

Read the following communication from the Secretary¹ to the Lord Chancellor²

"I am directed by the Lord Chancellor to state that at a meeting of the Council of the Judges of the Supreme Court, meeting in accordance with the provisions of section 210 of the Supreme Court of Judicature (Consolidation) Act 1925, a Committee was appointed to consider what procedure should be followed by the Judges upon an appeal from a decision of the Benchers of an Inn of Court and to report to the Lord Chancellor their opinion on the matter.

"In pursuance of this direction, the Committee consisting of Mr. Justice Avory (Chairman) [and four others] met and resolved that the Benchers of each of the four Inns should be requested to have a shorthand note taken of the proceedings before the Benchers or Council, as the case may be, to be transcribed in the case of an appeal to the judges and to be available for the use of the judges upon the hearing of the appeal...."

Ordered that the Lord Chancellor's Secretary be informed that the Benchers existing regulations give effect to the recommendation of the Committee. [pp. 373, 374]

Council held on June 17th, 1930. [p. 376]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 375, 377]

Hubert Francis Flower Greenland.

"Approved the report of the Finance Committee recommending that Frederick Charles Ball be appointed attendant of the new lavatories in New Square at a weekly wage of 35/-." [p. 377]

Council held on July 7th, 1930. [p. 380]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Read communications from the Inner Temple and Middle Temple that a contribution of fifty guineas be made by those Societies together with the other Inns of Court and the Law Society, provided they assent, towards a complimentary present to the Bar Associations of Canada and the United States. Resolved that this Inn contribute fifty guineas subject to the other Inns and the Law Society contributing a similar sum." [p. 381]

"An offer to the Inn by Francis Kentdray Archer Esq., K.C. of a silver bowl, in memory of the late Dighton Nicholas Pollock, was accepted with thanks. The bowl was of Mr. Archer's own design and workmanship." [p. 381]

"Mr. Justice Maugham explained the steps he had taken to furnish the room adjoining the Old Hall and announced that a clock of Cromwellian

¹ Sir Claud Schuster.

² Lord Sankey.

date had been offered to him, for a place in the room, by Mr. W.J. Waite. The Bench gladly accepted this offer, and the Under Treasurer was desired to write to Mr. Waite and express the thanks of the Society for the gift." [pp. 381, 382]

The Treasurer and the Keeper of the Black Book directed that an article, contributed to *The Times* of 24th June 1930, by the Under Treasurer should be inscribed in the Black Book. [It describes the nesting of ducks in New Square and is reprinted in Appendix 2.] [pp. 382-384]

Adjourned Council held on July 28th, 1930. [p. 385]

Forty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 377, 381, 387]

Sir Henry Chartres Biron.

"An offer of a portrait of the late Sir Edward Fry painted by his son was referred to the Picture Committee." [p. 387]

The Master of the Library submitted the following report of the Librarian [W.F.C. Suter], dated 23rd July 1930, concerning the theft of books from the Library. [pp. 387, 388]

On Tuesday morning last it was discovered that 5 books were missing from the Library shelves:

Clerk and Lindsell on Torts 1929

Kenny, Cases on Criminal Law 1925

Strahan, Law of Property 1926

Strahan, Law of Mortgages 1926

Underhill and Strahan on Wills 1927

In the afternoon I asked Mr. Hodgkinson to call on the second-hand book-sellers in the neighbourhood to inquire if any of them had been offered for sale. He found that Messrs Wildy had just bought three books from a person who presented the appearance of a Japanese student and from whom he had previously made purchases. These three books were identified by Mr. Hodgkinson as Lincoln's Inn property stolen during the day:

Buckland, Textbook of Roman Law 1921

Buckland, Manual of Roman Private Law 1925

Fraser on Libel and Slander 1925

These books now restored to the Library are quite useless, several leaves having been removed.

On Wednesday morning a watch was kept for a man answering his description. He came in about 10.30 and between then and 11.30 was seen by Mr. Ringrose to put three Library books in his despatch case. He was stopped outside the Library door and the books being found in his case and the fact ascertained that he was not a member of the Inn and therefore had no business in the Library, he was given into custody.

He pleaded guilty at Bow Street and was remanded in custody for a week. The books in his possession were:

Hart, Copyhold Enfranchisement 1927

Keir and Lawson, Cases on Constitutional Law 1928

Ridges, Constitutional Law 1928

"Approved the recommendation of the Picture Committee and the Finance committee that six coats of arms be painted on the shields of the Drawing Room fireplace." [p. 388]

Adjourned Council held on October 13th, 1930. [p. 389]

Forty Benchers present.

Ordered that the Honourable Richard Bennett K.C., formerly President of the Canadian Bar Association, and now Prime Minister of Canada, be invited to become an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society with precedence on the Bench immediately after the Rt. Hon. Lord Buckmaster. [pp. 389, 390]

Accepted with thanks an offer to present to this Society by will a bust of the late A.R. Kirby Esq.¹ [p. 390]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of E. Oake, a pensioner of this Society, formerly a labourer on the Building Staff. [p. 390]

"Ordered that this Inn contribute its proportionate share to any cost in excess of the original estimate for the complimentary presents to be given by the Four Inns of Court and the Law Society to special representatives of the Bar Associations of Canada and the U.S.A." [p. 390]

Council held on November 3rd, 1930. [p. 391]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Officers for 1931. [p. 392]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart., K.C.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Blanesburgh G.B.E.

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Romer

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Buckmaster

Master of the Walks: Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C.

"Accepted with thanks an offer from Miss Fry to present, on behalf of her family, to this Honourable Society a portrait of the late Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Fry painted by her brother."² [p. 392]

Council held on November 25th, 1930. [p. 395]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Department of Overseas Trade asking for the loan of pictures to send to the British Trade Exhibition at Buenos

¹ Former Bencher, died 25th October, 1916. The bust was received by the Society in June 1956: see *post*, p. 613.

² Roger Fry (1866-1934), son of Sir Edward Fry.

Aires and also asking the considered opinion of Lincoln's Inn as to the four most notable British Lawyers in the history of this country to the present date, preferably from the standpoint of international repute. Ordered that the question of lending a picture or pictures be referred to the Picture Committee for consideration and report and that to the other question the Under Treasurer should reply that the Council was not in a position to express a considered opinion." [p. 396]

"Granted an application from the Ruabon Coal and Coke Co. Ltd. for permission to photograph the floor of the Old Hall." [pp. 396, 397]

"Granted an application from Mrs. T. van Antwerp for permission to have a copy made of the portrait of Sir Matthew Hale to whom she claimed to be related." [p. 397]

Adjourned Council held on December 16th, 1930. [p. 398]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"Adopted a recommendation from the Library Committee that books not exceeding 300 be removed to the room adjoining the Old Hall; the books to be selected by Sir Frederick Pollock and shelves to be erected as directed by the Picture Committee." [p. 399]

Read a communication from the Architect giving notice that during his absence abroad for the first three months of 1931, the Society's work would be "in the very competent hands of my partner, Mr. Henley Cornford, one of my old pupils." [p. 399]

Ordered that any Benchers who has reached the age of 75 may have his name removed from the draw for "the Rota of Benchers to dine in Hall" provided that he informs the Under Treasurer that he so desires. [p. 400]

Adopted the following Report of the Finance Committee

Upon consideration of an interim emergency report from the Finance Sub-Committee recommending that the Chef be retired and pensioned; the Committee recommend the adoption of the Sub-Committee's report as an emergency matter and recommend the grant of a pension of £2 per week.

The Sub-Committee's report reads as follows:

"In view of the kitchen position and of the advanced age of the Chef the Council be recommended to authorise the determination of the Chef's engagement and to authorise the Finance Committee to settle the amount of his pension and further that the Council be recommended to authorise the engagement of a younger man as Cook at such salary as the Finance Committee may approve, with a view to the ultimate reorganization of the kitchen staff." [p. 400]

Adopted the recommendation of the Picture Committee in relation to the loan of pictures to the British Empire Trade Exhibition at Buenos Aires that the Council offer the Department of Overseas Trade the loan of the portrait of either Lord Oxford and Asquith or Lord Haldane, at their option. [pp. 400, 401]

The Treasurer explained the contents of a long communication from Mrs. R.A. Macaulay relative to the disbarment of her husband W.E.A. Macauley. He stated that he and the other members of the [Discipline] committee considered that it presented a most pathetic case but that no action seemed possible. Ordered that the Under Treasurer reply suitably to this effect.¹ [p. 402]

Adopted the following report of William Everard Tyldesley Jones, K.C.

In October 1929 the London County Council held an inquiry under the Local Government Acts 1888 and 1929 at the Holborn Town Hall in regard to a proposal to amalgamate the parishes (including the parish of Lincoln's Inn) which then comprised the Metropolitan Borough of Holborn. The matter had been carefully considered by the General Purposes Committee of the Council and they had decided that it was expedient to raise no objection but to support the proposal provided that provision was made for the repeal of the articles of the Holborn (Lincoln's Inn) Scheme 1901 made under the London Government Act 1899 which impose upon the Society the obligation to maintain the poor in the parish of Lincoln's Inn and require certain annual sums to be paid by the Borough Council to the Guardians of the Unions in which the several parts of Lincoln's Inn were situate and empower the Borough Council to raise such sums by means of additional items in the general rate levied on ratepayers in the Inn. The Honourable Society were represented at the above inquiry by our Solicitor, Sir Roger Gregory, and he explained the attitude of the Council as stated above. The London County Council agreed to the stipulation made by the [Inn's] Council.

[The report then describes an abortive attempt to carry out the agreement by an Order, and continues]

The London County Council have now deposited a Bill (the London County Council (General Powers) Bill) to be promoted in the next ensuing session of Parliament for the purpose (inter alia) of amalgamating Lincoln's Inn and Gray's Inn with the Parish of Holborn and repealing the articles in the Scheme of 1901 providing for the maintenance by the Society of their own poor and the above annual payments and additional items in the general rate as on and from the 31st day of March 1930. Provision is also made in the Bill for the necessary adjustment by way of repayment, differential rating and otherwise to put the authorities, bodies and parishes affected in the same position as that in which they would have been if the above Articles of the Scheme had not remained in force after the 30th day of March 1930.

[The report explains that the following agreement has been reached as to the adjustments to be made in the case of Lincoln's Inn subject to ratification by the Inn's Council]

Rateable hereditaments in that part of the Parish of Lincoln's Inn described as "Hall etc." shall be entitled to a credit against the rate levied for the first half year after such Royal Assent of 2.165d. in the £; rateable hereditaments in that part of the Parish of Lincoln's Inn described

¹ See *ante*, p. 15.

as "Township" to a credit of 1.8d.; and rateable hereditaments in the parts of the Parish of Lincoln's Inn described as "added parts" to a credit as aforesaid of .355d.

Ordered that the warm thanks of the Bench be tendered to him for the great trouble he has taken and the valuable services he has rendered in the matter, and that this be recorded in the Black Book.¹ [pp. 403–406]

Treasurer: Nathaniel Micklem, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. March 10 Sir Matthew Ingle Joyce
2. March 21 Charles Grant Church
3. April 29 Edward Beaumont
4. May 22 Lord Muir Mackenzie

Biographical notes

2. Church. b.1851. Equity draftsman and conveyancer. Collapsed and died in Hall at lunch.

3. Beaumont. b.1845. Equity draftsman and conveyancer. In practice until his death at the age of 84.

4. Muir Mackenzie. b.1845. Permanent Secretary to the Lord Chancellor 1880–1915

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Henry Tindal Methold
2. Richard Henry Hodge
3. Hubert Francis Flower Greenland
4. Sir Henry Chartres Biron

Supplementary:

Charles Percy Sanger, a practising barrister and conveyancer of Lincoln's Inn, collapsed and died after a short illness on February 9th 1930 at the age of 58. He had just completed editing the seventh edition of *Jarman on Wills*. His obituary in the *Times* discloses that his intellectual interests ranged much more widely than practice at the Chancery Bar.

He was a man of extraordinary powers in many different fields. As well as being a lawyer, he was for many years something of an authority on mathematical and statistical economics. He was also a student of Russian literature and a musical enthusiast.

Sanger was a friend of Lytton Strachey, the biographer not given to flattery, who wrote to a friend on February 11th:

I fear it was the result of a long process of over-work, underfeeding, and general discomfort—a wretched business. He had an astonishing intellect; but accompanied by such modesty that the world in general hadn't any idea

¹ The Bill became the London County Council (General Powers) Act 1931 (21 & 22 Geo. V ch.lix). By section 37 it repealed ss. 1 and 5 of the 1901 Scheme.

of his very great distinction. And he was so absolutely unworldly that the world's inattention was nothing to him. (Michael Holdroyd: *Lythou Strauhey* (1994) p. 655).

Sanger's edition of *Hawkins on Wills* was published in 1925. In the following year appeared his classic essay *The Structure of Wuthering Heights*.

1931

Council held on January 12th, 1931. [p. 407]

Thirty Benchers present.

Upon reading communications from Gray's Inn and the Society's solicitor concerning the steps to be taken in relation to the London Squares Preservation Bill then before Parliament: Ordered that Mr. Justice Macnaghten and Sir Benjamin Cherry be appointed to confer with representatives of the other Inns upon the whole matter and to report to this Bench—with power in the meantime to present a petition on behalf of this Society and to negotiate with the London County Council. [pp. 407-409]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee:

1. Upon consideration as to the proposed lift at No. 2 Stone Buildings, the Committee recommend that subject to the proposed contracts with tenants to increase rents being obtained, sanction be given for the installation of the lift.
2. The Committee recommend the appointment of J. Ancil and J. Keogh as supernumerary porters at a wage of £2.10.— per week. ... [p. 409]

Council held on January 30th, 1931. [p. 411]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Accepted with thanks an offer to present to the Society the G.C.B. banner of the late Rt. Hon. Lord Muir Mackenzie G.C.B. and it was referred to the Picture Committee to decide where it is to be placed." [p. 412]

"Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee recommending a proposal to the Warburton Trustees to appoint lecturers for two years only, coupled with an offer from the Inn to increase the lecturer's remuneration to £10.10.— per lecture." [p. 412]

The Under Treasurer having reported that Canon Storr was appointed Preacher to the Society for a period of three years from the 25th March 1926, and that his re-appointment in 1929 had been overlooked, It was Ordered that Canon Storr be re-appointed Preacher to the society for the period 25th March 1929 to 25th March 1932 on the same terms as before. [p. 413]

Adjourned Council held on March 3rd, 1931. [p. 414]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Ordered that the Honourable Oliver Wendell Holmes LL.D., D.C.L., an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court, be invited to be an

Honorary Benchers of this Honourable Society with precedence on the Bench immediately after the Rt. Hon. Sir Edward Clarke K.C. [p. 415]

Sir Benjamin Cherry reported on the negotiations in connection with the London Squares Preservation Bill. [As the Bill obtained the Royal Assent on July 31, 1931 as the London Squares Preservation Act 1931 (21 & 22 Geo. V, c.xciii), and contained the provisions which Sir Benjamin Cherry expounded and advised the Inn to accept, it is unnecessary to set out his report. By section 15 of the Act its provisions do not apply to protected squares within the Inn (being New Square, Old Buildings and Old Square as defined in Part II of the Schedule to the Act) so long as they remain the property of the Society.] A vote of thanks to Mr. Justice Macnaghten and Sir Benjamin Cherry for the valuable services they had rendered the Inn in the matter was carried unanimously and it was directed that it be recorded. [pp. 415-419]

Adopted the following report of the Kitchen Committee [p. 420]

The Kitchen committee recommend that the following proposals of the Under Treasurer be carried out as an experimental measure:

1. That there be a permanent Chief Cook but no permanent Chef.
2. That the Chief Cook be in sole charge of the luncheons out of Dining Term.
3. That a chef be engaged for Dining Terms only.
4. That a special chef be engaged for Grand Night.

Council held on April 14th, 1931. [p. 421]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Ordered on the Motion of the Treasurer (a) that the Treasurer be authorised to grant to Mr. Alexander Fachiri¹ of the Inner Temple, representing relatives and friends of the late Dr. Joseph Joachim, the use of the Old Hall, or the New Hall if found preferable, for an evening concert to be held on or about 28th June in commemoration of the centenary of Dr. Joachim's birth; subject to all necessary conditions as to licence and otherwise being satisfied, and to the usual condition of paying out of pocket expenses. (b) that it be left to the Treasurer, in consultation with Mr. Fachiri, to make such arrangements for the concert as he may think desirable, and that the Under Treasurer be permitted to assist in such arrangements with the help of his office staff." [p. 422]

"Read a report of the Under Treasurer that the coats of arms in stained glass presented to the Society by W.E. Tyldesley Jones Esq. K.C. are now in the Old Hall. A vote of thanks to Mr. Tyldesley Jones for his generous gift was carried unanimously." [p. 422]

Accepted with thanks as a gift to the Society from the Treasurer the Swiney Prize Cup of 1904, his part of the award made to Professor Maitland (also of this Inn) and himself for their History of English Law. [p. 423]

¹ Fachiri's wife, herself a professional violinist, was the great-niece and pupil of Joachim.

"Granted a Petition of M.A. Jinnah¹ for a Certificate of his standing as a Barrister of the Inn." [p. 423]

Council held on May 11th, 1931. [p. 425]

Thirty Benchers present.

Council adopted a report of the Finance Committee which contained a report of their Sub-Committee consisting of five, later six, members.

SUB-COMMITTEE REPORT

The sub-committee was required by the Finance Committee to "consider and report upon the financial organisation and control of the affairs of the Inn." Between July 1930 and April 1931 it met on eight occasions. It considered all branches of the Society's expenditure, particularly the expenditure

- (1) on and in connection with the kitchen
- (2) of the Building and Works Department
- (3) on wine.

With regard to (1) the sub-committee made an interim emergency report which was adopted by the Council on 30th December 1930. The sub-committee think it desirable that the new cook should be given a fair opportunity of effecting economies in the kitchen and until he has had that opportunity they do not desire to make any recommendation in regard to the kitchen.

With regard to (2) the sub-committee are of opinion that there is insufficient supervision of the expenditure incurred by the Society's Works Department in carrying out the ordinary repairs and re-decoration of chambers in the Inn, which work entails a heavy annual expenditure. They are not prepared to say that this expenditure has been excessive, but they find that there is no check on the specifications or estimates of costs submitted by the Foreman of Works, and that there is no one whose duty it is to see that the work which has been sanctioned by the Buildings Committee has been carried out in the most economical way.

Speaking generally this criticism does not apply to operations of a special kind under the control of the Society's Architect, Sir John Simpson. There have however been instances in which such operations have been carried out without the submission of any estimates to the Finance Committee. The sub-committee think it undesirable that except in a case of emergency, any exceptionable [*sic*] item involving considerable expenditure should be authorised in the future without an estimate of probable cost being submitted previously to the Finance Committee. Any expenditure in reference to emergency work should be reported in due course to the Finance Committee.

With reference to the ordinary repairs and re-decoration of chambers in the Inn, the sub-committee have endeavoured to discover a method of establishing a more effective supervision. It occurred to them that the appointment of a

¹ Called April 29th, 1896. First Governor-General of Pakistan from August 1947 until his death on September 11th, 1948.

practical surveyor to report and supervise in respect of all such work might be advisable. On this point they naturally consulted Sir John Simpson who has made the following generous offer, which they have gladly accepted; viz., that, without extra cost to the Inn, his partner, Mr. Cornford, should personally undertake for a period the supervision and control of all such work carried out by the Works Department, with a view to finding out, experimentally, what form of supervision might be permanently desirable. [There follow a resolution and recommendation not extracted]

With regard to (3) expenditure on Wine, which has been unusually large during the past few years, the sub-committee realise that this has been due to the temporary need for the replenishment of cellars seriously depleted. Their recommendation is as follows.

Recommended that the Wine Committee be requested to present to the Finance Committee a report on the present stock of wine in the Society's cellars, and to submit a statement as to any gaps which should now be filled to meet the requirements of future years, with recommendations as to any special purchases which may be needed at the present time to fill those gaps. The sub-committee recommend that, subject to those gaps being filled, the following procedure be adopted with regard to the purchase of wine in the future.

1. At the beginning of each financial year the Under Treasurer shall cause a statement to be prepared of the value at cost of the wines consumed during the previous financial year and an account shall be opened which shall be credited with this value.
2. This account shall be debited with the cost of the wines from time to time purchased by the Wine Committee.
3. Without the sanction of either the Council or the Finance Committee the Wine Committee shall have no power to expend on the purchase of wine any sum in excess of the balance from time to time standing to the credit of this account.

The sub-committee wish to call the attention of the Council to the following further matters

(a) Under the present system any committee can and does authorize the expenditure of money without regard to the expenditure authorized by other committees. There is no one committee charged with supervising the proposed expenditure of the other committees. It might be advisable that the chief spending committees, especially the Building and General Purposes Committee, should submit to the Finance Committee, early in each year, an estimate of their anticipated expenditure for the year. If this proposal were adopted, it should be understood that, when any committee has sanctioned expenditure up to the limit of its estimate, no further expenditure should be incurred during the year without the sanction of the Finance Committee. It is extremely important by whatever means may be most feasible in practice, to strengthen the Finance Committee's control over all expenditure.

(b) There is a possibility that at some future date the library may have to be enlarged. The sub-committee hope that this may be unnecessary during the life

of any present Benchers. They venture to suggest that the Library Committee should be requested to present a report on this matter in order that the Society may have ample warning of any expenditure of this magnitude.

(c) The sub-committee wish to point out that accommodation of considerable area, formerly the grill room of the Barristers' Common Room, has for many years been used as a lumber-store for the Works Department. They suggest that this valuable space should be put to a better use.

FINANCE COMMITTEE'S RECOMMENDATIONS

The Finance Committee recommend to the Council that the proposals of the sub-committee be adopted and for that purpose that the Council do pass the following resolutions:

- (1) That the offer of Sir John Simpson referred to in the sub-committee's report be accepted and that Mr. Cornford be given the authority mentioned in the report.
- (2) That the following be the procedure to be adopted by the Buildings and General Purposes Committee, viz. that except in case of emergency no work other than ordinary repairs and minor alterations be authorised until an estimate of the cost thereof approved by the Buildings Committee has been submitted to the Finance Committee and sanctioned by the Finance Committee or the Council.
- (3) That the Wine Committee be requested to present to the Finance Committee the report suggested in the proposals of the sub-committee, and that with regard to the purchase of wine in the future [the accounting procedure recommended by the sub-committee] be adopted.
- (4) That in future each of the spending committees [submit estimates etc. as recommended by the sub-committee]
- (5) That the Library Committee be invited to make to the Finance Committee the report suggested in the proposals of the sub-committee.
- (6) That it be referred to the Buildings and General Purposes Committee to consider and report to the Council to what use in future the room under the Barristers' Common Room can best be put. [pp. 426-434]

Ordered that the Finance Committee be requested to consider whether it is desirable to take steps in conjunction with the [other Inns], or otherwise, for the protection of the interests of the Inns as affected by the proposed new Land Taxes.... [p. 434]

Referred to the Finance Committee the following report of the Library Committee comprising a memorandum on shelf space:

The Library is now growing at the rate of 600 volumes per annum and has, as it stands, room for not more than three years growth. At present the cases in the centre of the lower Court Room only reach half way to the ceiling. By raising these and adding two more cases (for which there is space) accommodation could be found for at least 4200 volumes. The room under the Common Room would take 4500 volumes round the walls and 6500 in cases in the centre ... 11,000 in all. In addition to this, by placing the books two deep on the shelf in cases of long and little-used sets (such as

Hansard's Debates) room can be found for another 1200. By these means space can be provided for between sixteen and seventeen thousand volumes, which, at the present rate of increase, will last for some 27 years. [p. 435]

MEMORANDUM

"By the request of the Masters of the Bench, the Treasurer invited the Chief Justice of Bombay, Sir John William Fisher Beaumont, K.C.¹ to accept the freedom of the Benchers luncheon room and drawing room during his stay in this country." [p. 436]

Council held on June 2nd, 1931. [p. 437]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"The motion of Sir Arthur Underhill that the proposed scheme of ventilation for the Drawing Room be carried out was lost." [p. 437]

"Adopted the report of the Garden Committee recommending the removal of a plane tree." [p. 438]

"Approved the report of the Finance Committee recommending that expert opinion be obtained as to possible saving in the shelf space in the library by modernising the fittings." [p. 438]

Council held on June 22nd, 1931. [p. 441]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 426, 442]

Rudolph Moritz, K.C.

Referred to the Finance Committee the following report of the Library Committee

"The plans, specifications, and estimate submitted by Roneo Ltd for the refitting of the old Court Room below the library with stacks of modern metal fittings at a cost of £683 were approved and recommended to the Bench.

"Space would then be provided in that room for 14,640 volumes as compared with the present capacity of 3225 and the shelf room so gained would provide for accessions at the present rate for about 21 years." [pp. 442, 443]

Adopted a proposal that the Inn give a dinner to distinguished Canadian judges and lawyers who will be present in England in July; the date to be fixed after consultation with the Treasurer and the Privy Council.² [p. 443]

¹ (1877-1974). Son of Edward Beaumont (Bencher 1911, died 1930). Called 1901. At Chancery Bar until 1930. K.C. 1930. Chief Justice of Bombay to 1943. Judicial Committee of the Privy Council 1944. Bencher 1943. Treasurer 1963.

² The Dinner took place on July 21st. The Treasurer, Sir Frederick Pollock, presided and delivered an extempore address on "The Origins of the Inns of Court" which was much admired. A revised version was published in the *Law Quarterly Review*: (1932) 48 L.Q.R. 163.

Council held on July 28th, 1931. [p. 444]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Referred to the General Purposes Committee an application from the Hon. Denys B. Buckley for the use of the Old Hall for five performances of Shakespeare's 'Twelfth Night' in aid of the Inns of Court Mission in Hilary or Easter Terms next." [p. 445]

Adopted the following reports of the Finance Committee.

Upon consideration of the recommendation of the Library Committee on shelf space, the Finance Committee approved the recommendation subject to the Treasurer being satisfied after consultation with Dr. Hagberg Wright that the estimate is a fair one, i.e. Roneo's estimate for £683.

Upon consideration of the report of the Picture Committee, (1) that an expenditure not exceeding £45 for stripping and toning all panelling in the Drawing Room including the door, and (2) that an expenditure not exceeding 50 guineas for lighting pictures in the Drawing Room, be authorised; the Finance Committee resolved to recommend that the work be done. [pp. 445, 446]

Accepted the following report of the Discipline Committee in regard to a complaint against James Alexander George Smith, a Barrister of this Society:

"The Discipline Committee having considered the Chief Justice of Jamaica's complaint against an advocate who is a Barrister of this Inn, together with the accompanying papers, does not find any definite evidence or charge of professional misconduct on which the Bench can be advised to take action. The Committee is therefore of opinion that there is no case for inquiry by the Council."

Ordered that the Chief Justice be informed. [p. 447]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1931. [p. 448]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Accepted with thanks an offer from Sir Felix Cassel Bart., K.C. to present to the Society a portrait of Lord Lyndhurst by ¹ and the question of hanging was referred to the Picture Committee." [p. 449]

Council held on November 2nd, 1931. [p. 450]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Officers for 1932. [p. 453]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Blanesburgh G.B.E.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Romer

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Buckmaster G.C.V.O.

¹ Left blank in original. The artist was found to be Henry William Pickersgill.

Keeper of the Black Book: Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C.

Master of the Walks: Evan Lewis Thomas, K.C.

The Discipline committee reported that they had re-considered the complaints made against Mr. J.A.G. Smith at the instance of the Secretary of State for the Colonies, and saw no grounds for revising their previous decision. A reply to the Secretary of State drafted by Sir Thomas Hughes K.C., Chairman of the Discipline Committee was approved. It contained the following reasons for rejecting the complaint of the Chief Justice.

"The complaints against Mr. Smith relate to two separate matters

"(1) His criticisms of the Chief Justice in connection with a Commission for inquiry into the administration of the Kingston Corporation. In this matter Sir F. Barrett-Leonard was not acting in his capacity of Chief Justice but as Chairman of a Commission. It would appear that the criticisms were made in the Legislative Council by Mr. Smith as a member of that Council and it can hardly be said that they amount to any professional misconduct of a member of the Bar. Moreover questions of privilege might well arise.

(2) Affidavits made by Mr. Smith's clients in certain legal proceedings accusing the Chief Justice of bias in his conduct of the proceedings. There is no evidence that Mr. Smith was a party to the making of these affidavits and it is difficult to render him responsible for the statements of his clients.

"Under these circumstances the Masters of the Bench are of opinion that there is no *prima facie* evidence of professional misconduct." [pp. 451, 452]

Council held on November 25th, 1931. [pp. 457, 458¹]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Council of the Association of the Bar of Piraeus. Resolved that no answer be given thereto." ² [p. 457]

Referred to the Finance Committee the revision of the list of Annual Donations with instructions to consider especially a donation to King's College Hospital and the donations for ecclesiastical purposes and holiday funds. [p. 458]

¹ *Sic*. The minutes of this meeting were inadvertently inserted in the minutes of the next meeting.

² It is not surprising that Council found it difficult to reply. The Association were seeking the support of the Society for "their brethren of Cyprus, who are struggling for the union of their island to mother Hellas." In 1931 there were disturbances in Cyprus between the three factions in the Crown Colony: the Turks who sought union with the new Turkish Republic; the Orthodox Church which sought autonomy as the best protection for their property; and a small but violent faction which wanted union with Greece. The British Government dissolved the Legislative Council and governed directly through the Governor until the end of the second world war. (Information from Charles Arnold Baker's *Companion to British History*, Cyprus (7)).

Adjourned Council held on December 17th, 1931. [pp. 455, 456, 459]
Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

(1) The Finance Committee recommends for adoption by the Council the following recommendations of the Picture Committee (a) that the ceiling in the Drawing Room be painted a light colour and the room lit by flood lighting from four points, the work to be done in the Christmas vacation (b) that the portraits in the Council Room and Drawing Room be re-lined and re-varnished where necessary at a cost of £21.

(2) The Finance Committee recommends that the Library Committee be authorised to increase its annual expenditure on book binding to £300.

(3) The Finance Committee recommends that the Council make an order that any two Benchers, at a convenient time, draw the rota of Benchers for dining in Hall during Term. [p. 456]

Adopted the report of the Buildings and General Purposes Committee which recommended that the number of guests on Guest Night at the Bar Table be increased to twenty. [p. 456]

Adopted subject to consent of the senior messes of the Bar Table, to be obtained in course of next dining term, the recommendation of the Wine Committee that wine be supplied to the Bar tables in the same way as to the Bench and Students Tables. [p. 459]

"Read the report of the Under Treasurer of the death of Alice Pelham Tomlins (Sister Alice Mary) the survivor of an annuity of £60 per annum at No. 3 New Square." [p. 459]

"By the unanimous desire of the Bench, the Treasurer undertook to write a personal letter to the Rt. Hon. R.B. Bennett, Prime Minister of Canada (an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society) expressing the warm thanks of the Masters of the Bench for the beautiful silver model of the Golden Hind which he has so generously presented to the Inn." [p. 459]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bt., K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. April 26 Sir Edward Clarke, K.C.
2. December 5 William Percival Gratwicke Boxall, K.C.

Biographical notes

2. Boxall. b.1848. Recorder of Brighton 1911-1928

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Rudolph Moritz, K.C.
 2. Fergus Dunlop Morton, K.C.
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1932

Council held on January 11th, 1932. [p. 460]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 459, 460–461]

Fergus Dunlop Morton, M.C., K.C.

Read a letter dated 5th January 1932 from the Librarian [Mr. W.F.C. Suter] which reads as follows.

“My Lords and Gentlemen

“I have been a servant of the Honourable Society now for 58 years. I was apprenticed to the Inn as a chorister in 1874 and appointed to the Library in 1878. After such a long period of service I feel I am no longer able to discharge my duties in the way I would wish and therefore I should tender my resignation of the post of Librarian and give six months notice to leave from Lady-day next. It is with much sorrow that I take this step, as, apart from my regret at leaving the dear old Inn where I have spent so many happy years, it will mean the severance of those very pleasant relations which have existed for so long between the Members and myself. I hope that in my retirement I may carry with me their good wishes.

“I respectfully ask that you will grant me a pension.

“I have the honour to be, my Lords and Gentlemen

“Your obedient servant

“(signed) W.F.C. Suter”

“Ordered that it be referred to the Finance Committee to consider the question of pension, acceptance of the resignation to be deferred until the Finance Committee shall have reported. In the meantime the Treasurer to communicate to the Librarian the regret felt by the Council upon reading his letter.” [pp. 461, 462]

“Referred to the Picture Committee an offer to sell at a valuation or to loan to this Honourable Society for an indefinite period a portrait of the late Lord Justice Cotton by George Richmond, R.A.” [p. 462]

Council held on February 1st, 1932. [p. 464]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Director of Legal Studies, Council of Legal Education.¹

At a meeting of the Inner Temple Bench on Tuesday last, the resolution of which I wrote to you in my last letter was passed subject to a few verbal alterations. The resolution adopted runs as follows:

¹ A.M. Langdon.

"In 1925 the Bar Council after full enquiry passed and published a resolution that no higher fee should be demanded of a pupil reading in chambers by the Barrister's Clerk than three guineas for twelve and two guineas for six months reading. It has come to the knowledge of the Bench that this resolution is being disregarded. Barristers taking pupils (and pupils also) are reminded that these are the maximum fees payable and the Bench rely upon the Barristers taking pupils for their support in the strict observance of this important resolution."

Ordered that the resolution of the Bar Council of 1925 be screened in the Hall and Common Room. [pp. 464, 465]

"Read the report of the General Council of the Bar on the expense of litigation."¹ [p. 465]

"Read a communication signed by thirty-six Barristers who dine in Hall saying that they consider the proposed change in the allowance of wine at the Bar Table undesirable. Ordered that no action be taken." [p. 466]

Adjourned Council held on March 10th, 1932. [p. 467]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"Ordered upon the Motion of the Treasurer that the number of Honorary Benchers permitted by the Rules for the election of Benchers be increased from five² to ten." [p. 468]

"Ordered that smoking in the Library be permitted on Grand Days." [p. 468]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee:

With reference to the resignation of the Librarian, the Committee recommend that a pension of £350 per annum, in addition to a gratuity of £600, be granted.

Ordered that it be referred to the Finance Committee to reconsider the directions as to pensions and gratuities ordered by the Bench on the 7th March 1922³ with a view to making those directions less rigid. [p. 469]

"Accepted with thanks an offer to present to the Society a silver tray in remembrance of Wyndham Holgate, formerly a Barrister of this Honourable Society."⁴ [p. 469]

Council held on April 5th, 1932. [p. 470]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Treasurer be authorised to invite Wilfrid Greene⁵ Esq., K.C. and Meyrick John L. Beebe, Esq.,⁶ these two gentlemen being Barristers

¹ Printed as an appendix to the Bar Council's Annual Statement for 1931.

² It was six from March 24th, 1914: see 5BB.393.

³ See *ante*, p. 187.

⁴ See *post*, p. 315.

⁵ "Green" in BB., an obvious slip. Bencher I.T. 1925. Later Lord Greene, Master of the Rolls.

⁶ Admitted L.I. April 5th, 1895 while a student of I.T. Called L.I. November 18th, 1895.

of Lincoln's Inn and Benchers of another Inn, to use the Benchers Rooms at luncheon." [p. 471]

"Ordered that it be referred to the Pictures Committee and the Finance Committee to consider the desirability of treating the panelling and lighting of the Council Room on similar lines to those recently followed in the treatment of the Drawing Room." [p. 471]

Council held on May 2nd, 1932. [p. 473]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance and Buildings Committee recommending that Mr. Henley Cornford be appointed Surveyor to the Society upon the conditions there set out with such modifications, if any, required by Mr. Cornford as the Building Committee may see fit to agree to. The main conditions are the following

He will act generally as Surveyor to this Honourable Society. He will be in charge of and will re-organise the Works Department on the lines of his report to the Masters of the Bench dated October 1931, and his addendum thereto, and will proceed generally on the lines indicated therein...

The Surveyor is to check and certify as correct all bills in connection with the building department before they are presented to the Building Committee for payment.

His salary is to be at the rate of £500 per annum payable quarterly, and his appointment is to date from 9th May inst. His engagement may be determined by six months notice on either side. If the engagement shall still continue it is agreed that after the expiration of three years the Surveyor's salary is to be reconsidered with a view to reduction. [pp. 474, 475]

"Adopted the following report of the Library Committee subject to the question of salaries being referred to the Finance Committee with a recommendation that Mr. Ringrose's increase of salary should commence from 24th June.

"Upon consideration of the appointment of Librarian consequent upon Mr. Suter's resignation [the Library Committee] recommend to Council appointment of Mr. Hodgkinson as Librarian at a salary commencing at £500 p.a.

"The Committee however desire to add to this recommendation that it is made on the particular merits of Mr. Hodgkinson and must not be taken as implying that they think the promotion of the Assistant Librarian on a vacancy in the superior office desirable as a general practice.

"Also recommended that if the above recommendation be accepted, C.W. Ringrose be retained as Assistant Librarian but his salary be raised to £250 p.a. from £200 p.a." [p. 475]

"Read a communication from the Royal Free Hospital asking the Treasurer to accept a Life Governorship of the Hospital. The offer was accepted." [p. 476]

"A large silver tray, presented to the Society by Miss Mary S. Holgate and Miss Maud E. Holgate in memory of their father, Wyndham Holgate, Esquire,¹ a former Barrister of the Inn, was laid upon the table for inspection. The tray was presented to Mr. Holgate by Officers of Poor Law Schools as an appreciation of the services rendered by him for a quarter of a century as H.M. Inspector of Poor Law Schools on his retirement from that post in 1895. Ordered that the tray be accepted with thanks, and the book containing an illuminated address and the list of donors be preserved at Lincoln's Inn." [p. 476]

Council held on May 24th, 1932. [p. 477]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Treasurer of the Faculty of Advocates from which extracts appear below.

As you may be aware, the Faculty of Advocates has for some years enjoyed the privilege by permission of their Lordships, of keeping a set of the Scottish Law Reports in the corridor of the Library of the House of Lords for the use of Members of Faculty engaged in appeals before the House. The suggestion has recently been made that the Faculty should purchase Lord Dunedin's² set of the English Law Reports, which it is understood could be acquired at a very reasonable price. It is thought that permission could probably be obtained to house these reports along with the Faculty's existing Scottish Reports. . . .

It has occurred to [members of the Faculty] that it might be a convenience to members of the English Bar, as well as to the Scottish Bar, to have the reports, both English and Scottish, available in the House of Lords, and that the English Bar might care to join with the Scottish Bar in acquiring Lord Dunedin's Reports. As the basis of an arrangement it has been suggested that each Bar might contribute one half of the cost (probably about £75 each) and bear one half of the expense of subsequent upkeep, as well as of the provision of any shelving accommodation which may be found necessary. In that event the Faculty would, I think, be prepared to make their Scots Reports available to their English brethren when appearing in the House of Lords without charge.

The Solicitor-General for Scotland . . . has been informed that [the Inner Temple] would be prepared to contribute one fourth of the cost which would fall upon the English Bar, provided that [the other Inns] will each contribute a similar share. . . .

Ordered that this Inn contribute one fourth of the share of cost to be contributed by the English Bar. [pp. 477-479]

An invitation from the Royal Free Hospital asking one of the Masters of the Bench to accept a Life Governorship of the Hospital was accepted by Lord Justice Romer. [p. 479]

¹ Admitted January 15th, 1855, aged 24. Called November 17th, 1857.

² Viscount Dunedin (1849-1942) retired as a Lord of Appeal in 1932.

Read a letter from Mr. Henley Cornford accepting the position of Surveyor on the terms offered. [p. 479]

Ordered that the sub-committee originally appointed by the Finance Committee on 5th June 1930, to consider and report upon the financial re-organisation and control of affairs of the Inn, which had become known as the Economy Committee, be re-established and invited to continue its examination of the Inn's finances. . . . [p. 480]

Council held on June 13th, 1932. [p. 483]

Thirty Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Sir Robert I. Tasker¹:

"An advisory committee has been set up by the London County Council to revise the London Building Act [1894].

"In the course of our investigations it has been pointed out that Lincoln's Inn possess certain privileges not enjoyed by the general public. An opinion has been expressed 'that the principle of exemption of privileged bodies from the operation of the law relating to buildings should be abolished. If the law be good for the buildings owned by the general public who, after all, own the great majority of the buildings, it must surely be good for those owned by the privileged bodies, and so far as constructional work is concerned it is probable that the exempted buildings comply substantially with the provisions of the law. If this be true, exemption in this respect is unnecessary. . . . Notwithstanding the exemption, the Crown has agreed to be bound by the various Acts.'

"As Chairman of the Advisory Committee a wish has been expressed that I should confer with you before my committee discuss the amendment of the Act which relates to bodies like Lincoln's Inn. I should be grateful if you would afford me an opportunity to discuss the subject with you at a time which may be mutually convenient."

Ordered that Mr. Justice Macnaghten and W.E. Tyldesley Jones K.C. be appointed to consider the matter with power to confer with the other Inns. [pp. 483, 484] [The other Inns made similar orders: pp. 484-486]

"Accepted an invitation from the Federation des Avocats Belges to send a delegate to their Annual General Assembly at Namur on 25th June as a guest of the Federation. Sir James Greig, C.B., K.C. was appointed as delegate to represent both Lincoln's Inn and the General Council of the Bar." [p. 486]

"Resolved that a dinner be given by the Masters of the Bench to Members of the Bench and Bar of Canada who would be present in London in July. It was referred to the Kitchen Committee and the Finance Committee jointly to make arrangements for the dinner which was not to be held on a Friday." [p. 487]

¹ (1868-1959) Member of the London County Council for many years. Chairman of the advisory committee 1931-1935.

Adjourned Council held on July 26th, 1932. [p. 488]

Thirty Benchers present.

Ordered that the following be invited to become Honorary Benchers of the Society with precedence respectively immediately after the Benchers whose names appear in brackets after the names of those invited. [p. 489]

The Right Hon. Sir Dinshah Fardunji Mulla¹ (Mr. Justice Macnaghten)

The Right Hon. Stanley Melbourne Bruce, M.C.² (Sir Felix Cassel)

The Hon. Newton Wesley Rowell, K.C.³ (Mr. Justice Maugham)

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1932. [p. 490]

Forty-six Benchers present.

"On the Motion of the Treasurer 'that the Masters of the Bench of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn do respectfully constitute His Royal Highness Prince George, K.G., G.C.V.O., one of their number, and for that purpose do direct that all standing orders and rules be suspended and all fees and payments dispensed with, and that the Treasurer communicate this resolution to the Prince' was carried with acclamation." [p. 491]

"Read the report of the Finance Committee recommending the appointment of F. Onley as a supernumerary porter in the place of T. Salmon, decd." [p. 491]

Council held on November 2nd, 1932. [p. 492]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 491, 493]

Arthur Eustace Russell

Officers for 1933. [pp. 493, 494]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Romer

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Viscount⁴ Buckmaster, G.C.V.O.

Dean of the Chapel: Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Evan Lewis Thomas, K.C.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Russell of Killowen

Read the following communication dated 24th October 1932, from His Majesty the King as senior Benchers

"The King has read your letter of the 22nd instant and desires me to thank you for informing His Majesty that Prince George has been elected a

¹ (1868-1934) Advocate, Bombay. Judicial Committee of the Privy Council.

² Viscount Bruce of Melbourne C.H., M.C. (1883-1967). Prime Minister of Australia, 1923-1929. High Commissioner for Australia in London, 1933-1945.

³ (1867-1941) Benchers, Law Society of Upper Canada, 1911. President, Canadian Bar Association, 1932-1934. Chief Justice, Ontario, 1936-1938.

⁴ *Sic.* Lord Buckmaster was not created a Viscount until the New Year's Honours 1933.

Bencher of Lincoln's Inn. As senior Bencher the King was delighted to hear that this honour has been conferred upon his son." [p. 492]

"Adopted the report of the Reading in Chambers Committee ... recommending that Coronation Studentships be granted to Cecil Herbert Sansome Preston¹ to read with Mr. Cyril John Radcliffe² of 3 New Square for a period of six months from the 12th October 1932, and to Hilary Barrow Magnus³ to read with Mr. Charles Harman⁴ of 6 New Square for a period of six months from the 11th January 1933, with leave to apply for a second period of six months reading in each case." [p. 494]

Adopted the report of the Library Committee recommending that a youth should be appointed to be trained as an assistant, to be of the age of 18 to 20 years, of good general education, and interested in books. The minimum salary to be at £10 for each year of age above that of ten and to increase by £10 a year.⁵ [p. 494]

MEMORANDUM

"His Royal Highness The Prince George, attended by Major Humphrey Butler, was present at the Grand Day Dinner of Michaelmas Term, Tuesday the 22nd November. Immediately before dinner Prince George was called to the Bar by the Treasurer, and, having donned his gown, was published a Bencher of the Society. There were present at the dinner: Benchers and Guests, 101; Barristers, 122; Students 106." [p. 495]

Council held on November 25th, 1932. [p. 497]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Treasurer of the Inner Temple, Rt. Hon. Sir Lancelot Sanderson.

"At a Bench Table held yesterday [8 November] the following resolution was proposed. ...

'That in the interests of the profession and of the Inns a standing committee shall be constituted to consist of the four Treasurers of the Inns together with such other Masters of each Bench as the Treasurer or the Bench of each Inn may nominate.'

"The resolution was adopted unanimously and it was directed that the Treasurer should communicate with the Treasurers of the other Inns in the hope that the proposal might meet with a favourable consideration. ..."

Ordered that the proposal be agreed to. Read a communication from the Middle Temple agreeing to the above. [pp. 497, 498]

¹ See *ante*, p. 219, n. 1.

² Later Viscount Radcliffe (1899-1977): see 93 L.Q.R.348.

³ (1909-1987). Treasurer 1982.

⁴ (1894-1970). Lord Justice 1959-1970. Treasurer 1959.

⁵ See *post*, p. 322.

"Ordered that the Under Treasurer be directed to report annually to the Finance Committee the amount of Income Tax recovered in each year in respect of Maintenance Claim." [p. 499]

There was laid on the table a silver-gilt rose-water dish which was presented to the Society by the Treasurer. The following is the description

A SILVER GILT ROSEWATER DISH

The design is based on the Tudor Rose combined with the Arms of Lincoln's Inn and of the donor. (See illustration No. 7.)

The well of the dish is shaped as a rose, the centre of which forms the boss.

The Arms of Lincoln's Inn, highly chased, appear on the top of the boss as the central point of the flower.

The border of the dish, which is ten sided, is edged by a band in high relief ingeniously introducing the mill rind from the Arms of Lincoln's Inn. Ten pendant ornaments, representing the Lion of Lincoln's Inn and the Arms of the donor, intersect this border, which in its treatment, is typical of present day design.

The following inscription is engraved in Roman lettering round the boss.

Hospitio Lincolnensi D.D. Thesaurarius MCMXXXII Floreat Hospitium

The dish bears the London Hall Mark for 1932.

The designer and maker is Mr. G.F. Courthope of London, a Liveryman of the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths.

The donor is the Right Hon. Lord Blanesburgh, P.C., G.B.E., D.C.L., a member of the Court of Assistants of the Worshipful Company of Goldsmiths.

A vote of thanks to Lord Blanesburgh was passed by acclamation. The Under Treasurer was desired to write to the designer of the dish, and convey to him an expression of the gratification of the Society at receiving so fine a piece of workmanship. [pp. 499, 500]

Adjourned Council held on December 15th, 1932. [p. 501]

Forty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 493, 501, 502]

Cecil Willie Turner.

Read the following communication from Sir Lynden Macassey¹

In reference to the letter which I sent to your predecessor following conversations I had with the leaders of the Canadian Bar, when I was in Canada last year, as to the possibility of the Four Inns of Court extending hospitality to members of the Canadian Bar when in London on Privy

¹ Sir Lynden Macassey, K.B.E., K.C. (1876-1963). Benchers, Treasurer, Middle Temple.

Council or public work, I have a letter from the Hon. Newton W. Rowell, K.C., the President of the Canadian Bar Association, a copy of which I now forward to you.

I understand that most if not all the Four Inns of Court have appointed a Committee to consider the matter and I think Mr. Rowell's concrete suggestion would enable the Four Inns of Court to come to a definite conclusion upon the matter, and I shall be very glad indeed if it were possible for them to do so at an early date. The matter was originally put before me, as stated in my previous letter to your predecessor by some of the leaders of the Canadian Bar, and I think, whether or not the Four Inns are prepared to adopt such a suggestion, which of course, would be regarded as a great gesture of friendliness by the Canadian Bar, the next best thing to that would be if possible for the Four Inns to arrive at an early decision, which if adverse to the proposal anyway would make it clear to the Canadian Bar that it had been considered.

Extracts from Mr. Rowell's letter to Sir Lynden Macassey follow.

I took advantage of the meeting of the Canadian Bar Association at Calgary to discuss, quite informally, with the officers of the Association and other members of the Council, the suggestion you had originally made to Mr. Coleman, and later to myself, that the Inns of Court would like to recognise Canadian counsel visiting England and particularly those practising before the Privy Council, by extending to them the privileges of Honorary Benchers during the period of their visit. I made it quite clear that the matter had not yet been passed upon by the Inns. . . . The suggestion was received with very great appreciation. . . .

Since the meeting of the Bar Association I have had considerable correspondence in reference to the matter with officers of the Canadian Bar Association, and on the question of those eligible, I think the following represents the consensus of opinion.

1. The members of the Council of the Canadian Bar Association
2. Benchers of the several Provinces.
3. Treasurers or past Treasurers of the Law Societies of the Provinces.
4. Batonniers or past Batonniers in the Province of Quebec.

Those to receive this honour should be such members within the foregoing classes as might be certified to the Inns of Court by the Secretary of the Canadian Bar Association as being engaged in actual practice at the bar, and about to visit England. The number who would be visiting England at any one time would be very limited. The largest number would no doubt be at the summer sitting of the Privy Council. Mr. Coleman thinks that the number would never exceed ten.

Resolved that if and when the other Inns express a desire to confer with Lincoln's Inn, the representatives already appointed for the purpose by Lincoln's Inn be desired to attend any consultative meeting that may be summoned. [*pp.* 504-506]

"Approved a recommendation from the Economy Committee that as from 1st January next all food bills be paid not less frequently than once a month and that the proper discount for so doing be claimed from the tradesmen." [p. 507]

"Approved a recommendation from the Building Committee that a petition against 'the Control of Overground Wires Bill' be presented to Parliament if necessary." [p. 507]

Treasurer: Lord Blanesburgh, G.B.E.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. September 12 Sir Benjamin Cherry
2. October 8 Thomas Cyprian Williams
3. December 15 William John Jeeves, C.B.E., K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Cherry. b.1869. Conveyancing Counsel of the High Court from 1914. Pupil of Edward Parker Wolstenholme (1824-1908). Principal draftsman of the Law of Property Act 1922, for which he was knighted in 1922.

2. Williams. b.1854. Author of Williams on Vendor and Purchaser. Obituary, with photograph, in 74 L.J. News. 229 by J.M. Lightwood.

3. Jeeves. b.1865. Admitted solicitor 1886. Town Clerk: St Helens 1891-1899; Leeds 1899-1903. Called to the Bar 1903.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Arthur Eustace Russell
 2. Cecil Willie Turner
 3. Richard Augustus Willes
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Council held on January 11th, 1933. [p. 508]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Approved the loan of Lord Hailsham's portrait to the City of Nottingham Museum and Art Gallery for an exhibition. [p. 509]

Approved the loan of the silver-gilt rosewater dish recently presented to this Society by Lord Blanesburgh, to the Goldsmiths Company for an exhibition. . . . [p. 509]

Council held on January 31st, 1933. [p. 511]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 508, 512]

Richard Augustus Willes

Upon the motion of the Treasurer that a small sub-committee be appointed to examine the question of the moving of calls by Benchers of students from overseas, with a view to providing fuller information than has hitherto been

available as to the character and recent conduct of such students Ordered that [two named Benchers] be appointed for the purpose stated. [pp. 511, 512]

Read the following letter dated 30th January 1933 from J.P. Beavan, junior library assistant.

"I respectfully beg leave to ask you to reconsider the question of my commencing salary of £100 a year with an annual increment of £10.

"After a few weeks' experience I find it very difficult to live on this sum in London. I have secured lodgings temporarily with two meals a day for 25/- a week, on an understanding to increase it to 30/- as soon as I am able to do so. I do not think it is possible to obtain anything cheaper than this. But the necessary extras amount to nearly 3/- a week while food and travelling fares cost a further 10/-. Thus even with my present rent for lodgings I am left with less than £2 a year for clothes, recreation, an occasional visit to my home in Herefordshire, or any contingency that may arise.

"I have passed the Diploma Examination of the School of Librarianship, and devoted two years in a University to fitting myself for library work. I therefore venture to hope that you will favourably consider my application."

The Library Committee recommended an increase to £125, reserving further consideration, if necessary. The Council Ordered that Mr. J.P. Beavan's salary be £150 per annum from the start of his duties with £10 annual increments. [pp. 512, 513]

"The motion of Sir Alfred Hopkinson K.C. that it is desirable that the statue of Lord Erskine be removed from the Library to the Great Hall of the Law Courts, if it be found that the Office of Works and others concerned would welcome such a step, was lost." [p. 513]

Referred to the Buildings and General Purposes Committee the Under Treasurer's report on a fire at No 6 New Square.¹ [p. 514]

Adjourned Council held on March 21st, 1933. [p. 515]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Arms of H.R.H. Prince George and of the Rt. Hon. Sir Dinshah Fardunji Mulla be placed in the Hall." [p. 516]

Adopted the following recommendation of the Buildings and Finance Committees:

Recommend the offer of £3800 for the purchase of Mr. Justice Luxmoore's Chambers on the first floor E at No. 4 New Square without bookcases, the vendor to be at liberty to remove latter at any reasonable time within five years from completion on three months previous notice, the bookcases in meantime to remain at the vendor's risk. [p. 516]

¹ A surveyor's report to the Committee of New Square Proprietors shows that the damage was extensive especially in the roof and upper floors: Report of Mr. J.A. Thompson, January 31st, 1933.

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of William Carpenter, the second butler. Ordered that George Fisher the chief wine waiter be appointed second butler at a salary of £180 per annum. [p. 516]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the deaths of A. Tucker, late a supernumerary porter, and of Mrs. Woolgar, widow of the late master of the night watch, both pensioners of the Society. [pp. 516, 517]

Ordered that the Venerable Archdeacon of Westminster¹ be re-appointed Preacher to the Society for the period 25th March 1932 to 25th March 1935. [p. 527]

Council held on April 25th, 1933. [p. 518]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Referred to the Keeper of the Black Book (E. Lewis Thomas, K.C.), Mr. Justice Maugham and Mr. Justice Bennett to inquire into and report to the Bench the quality of the paper and ink now used in the Black Book and whether the materials now used are suitable for preserving the Records of the Society. [pp. 518, 519]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Sir John Simpson, K.B.E., Architect to this Society.

Council held on May 22nd, 1933. [p. 522]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Accepted with thanks a silver bowl presented to the Society by the Right Hon. Lord Justice Lawrence. [p. 523, 524]

DESCRIPTION OF THE BOWL

Tazza bowl of hand wrought silver. The Arms of the Inn and of the donor were first chased on a flat disc. The disc was then raised by hammer into shape including the facets. The decoration of the bowl, executed entirely by chasing from the exterior while the interior was filled with pitch, is intended to represent conventionally the characteristic formation and movement of swallows in flight when circling a pool. Each bird is drawn from nature and no two are alike or in the same line or angle of flight. The base is also raised by hammer from a disc and is joined to the ring fixed to the bowl by being shrunk on by means of heating the base but not the bowl, so avoiding distortion. All the work has been executed by hammer and punch without the employment of any mechanical process, the polished surfaces having been produced by friction with stone charcoal, a wire brush and the hand. The relief is purely the result of the chasing, there is no repousse work.

The bowl weighs 117 ounces. The design and fine work is by Dorothy Allen and the smith's work is by Sydney Glaister.

¹ Canon Vernon Faithfull Storr (1869-1940), the Preacher since 1926, had been appointed Archdeacon of Westminster in 1931. He became Dean of Westminster in 1936 and so continued until his death. He resigned as Preacher in 1937.

The inscription inside the bowl is:

The gift in 1933 of Paul Ogden Lawrence
Treasurer 1925

The inscription round the rim is:

DELINEAVIT ME PRIMO DOROTHEA ALLEN MALLEO EXEUDIT SYDNEIUS GLAISTER
EXCUSUM MALLEOLO SCALPO LIMA PERFECIT EADEM DOROTHEA ARTIFICES AMBO ME
INDICE HAUD INUTILES

Ordered that the procedure proposed in the following recommendation of the Chapel Committee be tried on the Sundays in Trinity Term next

Upon considering the advisability of altering the position of the Choir: those present studied the effect produced by the singing of a Te Deum by the Choir when placed in various positions in the Chapel, viz. the east end, the west end just clear of the organ loft, and the west end under the organ loft. The opinion was unanimous that the music sounded best with the Choir under the organ loft. The Committee therefore recommend that in so far as may prove practicable the experiment be made of placing the Choir under the organ loft for Sunday services or at any rate for part of those services. [*p.* 524]

"Ordered that the recommendation of the Chapel Committee that there should be a service in Chapel on each Sunday between the end of Hilary Term and the Sunday before Easter, including that Sunday—the cost of the services and luncheons being estimated at £16 per Sunday—stand over till after next term's trial of a new situation for the Choir in the Chapel." [*p.* 525]

Adopted a recommendation of the Buildings and General Purposes Committee that Miss Crabbe be appointed laundress for the Under Treasurer's office and as assistant in the laundry at a wage of nineteen shillings a week and five shillings per day when engaged in the laundry. [*p.* 525]

Granted an application from Sir Edwin L. Lutyens R.A. to be allowed the use of the Hall on the 13th February next for the Jubilee Revels of the Art Workers Guild. [*p.* 525]

Read the following communication from Mr. F.W. Corn, the Chief Clerk, dated 13th May 1933

"I regret, but under medical advice, I tender my resignation as Chief Clerk in the Under Treasurer's Office of your Honourable Society. For the last two years my health has not been good, and I feel I now cannot discharge the duties devolving upon me to my entire satisfaction.

"I was appointed 3rd Clerk in the then Steward's Office in 1891—thus making 42 years service.

"I am in my sixty-eighth year and I respectfully ask that a pension may be granted me, and that I may be permitted to relinquish my duties as from the 29th September next."

Ordered that the resignation be accepted with regret and referred to the Finance Committee. The Treasurer was requested to convey the regret of the Bench to Mr. Corn, a copy of his letter to be entered in the Black Book. [p. 525, 526]

Sir James H. Greig, C.B., K.C. was appointed to represent the Society (at the Society's expense) at a conference of the Federation des Avocats Belges at Bruges on 24th June. [p. 526]

Council held on June 13th, 1933. [p. 527]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee of which a summary follows: [pp. 527, 528]

F.W. Corn: gratuity £600; pension £350 during life. If his wife survives Bench will consider favourably the making of some provision for her

In the Under Treasurer's office

Mr. N.Y. Marriott, Second Clerk, to be Chief Clerk at £600 p.a.

Mr. H.C.H. Fairchild, Third Clerk, to be Second Clerk at £400 p.a.

The Treasurer reported that as requested at the previous Council he had written a letter to Mr. Corn in the following terms:

"I have been asked by the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn to express their very great regret that you find it necessary to relinquish your duties as Chief Clerk. The Bench consider that in all these 42 years, the best part of your lifetime, you have served the Inn with exemplary devotion and ability. I need add no more to this high expression of our esteem and thanks except to assure you that what I have written is what we sincerely feel.

It is ordered that this letter be inscribed in our records. We are most reluctant to lose you, and wish you better health and happiness in your retirement." [p. 529]

Read the following letter from the Society's Solicitor to the Under Treasurer with reference to the London County Council (General Powers) Bill 1933.

"As I think you know, the Benchers have decided not to oppose this Bill, but to be satisfied with an assurance by the London County Council not to apply section 23 to Lincoln's Inn Fields. I enclose an original letter which I have today received from Mr. Rooke, giving me this assurance, as I think you should record it for future reference."

The enclosed letter is headed "London County Council (General Powers) Bill 1933; Clause 23¹—Alienation of portions of open spaces for street improvements." The final paragraph reads as follows:

¹ London County Council (General Powers) Act 1933 (23 & 24 Geo. V, ch. xxviii), S.23 (2) requires the consent of the Minister.

"With reference to Lincoln's Inn Fields. I am authorised to state that, so far as regards the portion of which the reversion is vested in trustees of the Society of Lincoln's Inn, the Council will not, except with the consent of the trustees, submit any proposal to the appropriate government department for the alienation of any part of that portion." [pp. 529, 530]

Council held on July 3rd, 1933. [p. 533]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

[No significant business to extract]

Council held on July 25th, 1933. [p. 535].

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to confer with the Treasurers of the other Inns with a view to an arrangement whereby the Four Inns of Court should make a joint contribution to the Building Fund of the University of London to be allocated towards the building of the library or such other purposes as may be determined.¹ [p. 535]

Adopted the report of the Library Committee that upon consideration of the wages of Mr. H.W. Green, the library porter, the Committee are of opinion that, having regard to the value of his work in repairing the broken bindings of Library books, his wages should be increased from £3.5 per week to £3.10. [p. 536]

Read the report of R.E.L. Vaughan Williams Esq., K.C., on his visit to the Belgian Bar Congress. [p. 536]

Ordered that the Arms of Mr. Justice Atkinson be put up in the Hall. [p. 536]

Referred to the Finance Committee the appointment of a Third Clerk in the Under Treasurer's office, with power to act. [p. 536]

Adjourned Council held on October 2nd, 1933. [p. 537]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"Adopted the report of the Finance Committee recommending that Mr. Frederick Cecil Coales be appointed Third Clerk in the Under Treasurer's office at a salary of £150 per annum determinable by three months notice on either side, employment to commence on the 25th September 1933." [p. 538]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of B. Ireland, the attendant at the Students Common Room." [p. 538]

Council held on November 2nd, 1933. [p. 540]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Officers for 1934: [p. 541]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Viscount Buckmaster, G.C.V.O.

Master of the Library: Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C.

¹ This did not proceed. It was reported in January 1934 that Gray's Inn had adjourned consideration of it, and that Middle Temple had refused.

Dean of the Chapel: Evan Lewis Thomas, K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Russell of Killowen.

Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr. Justice Clauson, C.B.E.

Adopted the following recommendation of the Chapel Committee

"Upon consideration of the advisability and the cost of more services in the year the Committee recommend to the Council that there should be a service in Chapel on each Sunday between the end of Hilary Term and the Sunday before Easter, including that Sunday. The cost of the services and luncheons is estimated at £16 per Sunday." [p. 542]

"Granted an application for the use of the Hall for a dinner to be given by the Bar of England to Lord Merrivale on the 6th December next; with permission for the Inn's staff to be employed for the dinner and for the Inn's plate to be used on the occasion." [p. 542]

Council held on November 24th, 1933. [p. 544]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Read a communication from Gray's Inn re applications from German Jewish lawyers seeking admission to that Society without passing any of the prescribed examinations. In connection with this report the Treasurer explained the attitude of the Committee towards German Jewish lawyers seeking admission by exemption under Clause 1 of the Consolidated Regulations, the general principle being to take each case on its merits and to admit in the event of the applicant having high legal qualifications and good character. The Bench approved this principle. [pp. 544, 546]

Arthur Eustace Russell was appointed to represent the Society on the Board of the Tancred Governors in place of Brian Farrer resigned. [p. 545]

Authority was given for the Library to be closed at 4 p.m. on the occasion of the "At Home" to be held on 19th December next and for the first volume of the Black Book and "the Golden Book" to be exhibited in the Library under the care of the Librarian. [pp. 546, 547]

Mr. Justice Maugham reported the completion of the window on the Old Hall containing eight coats of Arms of the Prime Ministers who had been members of the Inn, given by Miss Jeeves in memory of her father the late William John Jeeves, C.B.E., K.C. [p. 547]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1933. [p. 548]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Ordered

1. That it is desirable that the Four Inns make a joint contribution to the Building Fund of London University

2. That each contribution take the form of an annual subscription for seven years of (say) £100 per annum from each Inn. [p. 549]

Adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee, viz. that ten guineas each be given to Mr. Marriott and Mr. Fairchild in respect of special services rendered. [p. 549]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee recommending acceptance of the report of the sub-committee appointed to consider the Inn's scheme of pensions and gratuities adopted by the Council on 7th March 1922.¹ Extracts from the sub-committee's report follow.

"In our view it cannot be too clearly understood that the scheme is only a guide, that no servant of the Inn has any claim to a pension or gratuity, and that the Bench is entirely free not only as to whether any such grant should be made but also as to the amount of the grant and any conditions that may be attached to it.

"We have compared the Society's scheme for calculating pensions and gratuities with the system in operation in the Civil Service, as being the one most likely to throw light on the question. This system was the subject of enquiry by the Royal Commission of 1929-31 presided over by Lord Tomlin, and the Commission reported that the benefits thereunder were 'reasonable compared with the benefits provided under outside schemes.' It ought to be stated that under the Civil Service scheme there is no right to any benefit, and the Acts merely determine the limits within which the Treasury may grant superannuation benefits.

.....

"In our view there is no doubt that considered as a whole the Society's scheme is more generous than the Civil Service scheme. It is difficult to find any adequate justification for this being so, especially in view of the recent approval of the Civil Service scheme expressed by the Royal Commission presided over by Lord Tomlin. There are moreover advantages, where pensions or gratuities are granted, in accepting as guide a scheme which has both authority and many years experience behind it. We recommend therefore that in future the Bench when granting pensions and gratuities on retirement should be guided, though not tied, by provisions corresponding in substance with the Civil Service scheme but in the case of anyone employed by the Society for over ten years past the Bench should be at liberty to apply the Society's 1922 scheme.

"With regard to pensions or gratuities to the widows or dependants of those who die in the service of the Society, so much depends on the circumstances of each particular case that in our opinion it is undesirable to attempt to formulate any scale or conditions. There are cases in which any grant of either pension or gratuity would be unnecessary and unjustifiable. There are others in which the application of any normal scale would seem both ungenerous and inadequate. We accordingly recommend that in this branch of the question the matter should be left entirely at large.

We recommend that the following resolution be passed by the Council:

¹ See *ante*, p. 187.

1. That in order to avoid misunderstanding, the scheme of pensions and gratuities adopted at the Council meeting of the 7th March 1922 be varied, as regards all the servants of the Society by substituting the words 'Save in exceptional cases a servant will not be considered qualified for a pension' for the words 'A servant will have no claim for a pension (although exceptional cases will be considered)'

2. That, as regards all servants of the Inn except those who were in the service of the Inn on the 1st January 1924, the scheme be varied by substituting 1/80th for 1/60th and 40 for 30 in the clause relating to pensions, and substituting 1/45th for 1/30th and 40 for 30 in the clause relating to gratuities, and substituting in the latter clause the words 'one and a half years' for 'one year'." [pp. 550-553]

"Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee that the Committee propose to try experimentally the use of amplifiers in the Chapel on the Sundays in Hilary Term next." [p. 558]

The following gifts to the Society were reported:

A silver cigar and cigarette box presented by Lord Blanesburgh.

Four oak seats for the upper vestibule, presented by Lord Justice Lawrence.

A pair of silver salt cellars presented by Imperial Airways Ltd as a memento of the 30th session of the International Air Traffic Association held in the Old Hall in September 1933.

These were gratefully accepted and votes of thanks were passed unanimously to the several donors. [p. 559]

Referred to the Kitchen Committee for consideration and report the question whether cigarettes shall be supplied without charge in the Drawing Room after lunch. [p. 553, repeated on p. 559]

"Referred to the Library Committee for consideration and report whether steps be taken in conjunction with the Librarian of the Bar Library to annotate the Law Reports as is done in the Bar Library." [p. 559]

Treasurer: Lord Justice Romer

The following Bencher died during the year

December 30 Henry Hartley Givern

He was born in 1869. From 1921 he was junior counsel to the Treasury.

Lionel Leonard Cohen, K.C. was elected a Bencher in his place.

1934

Council held on January 11th, 1934. [p. 560]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Upon consideration of an invitation consequent upon the death of Henry Hartley Givern Ordered that the vacancy be filled by the invitation of a member of the Inner Bar. [p. 560]

"A communication was read from Mr. W. Lawson Campbell, an executor of Mr. Givens, asking if a memorial service could be held in the Chapel at some future date. It was decided that this would in several ways be contrary to precedent, and that in all the circumstances it was not desirable to depart from the precedent by holding such service."¹ [pp. 560, 561]

Council held on January 31st, 1934. [p. 563]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 560, 565]

Lionel Leonard Cohen, K.C.

Adopted the recommendation of the Library Committee in favour of annotating the Law Reports in accordance with the following memorandum by the Librarian.

It is difficult to form an exact estimate without making an actual start on the work, but, after consultations with the Librarians of the Bar Library and the Inner Temple, I am of opinion that the noting-up of the whole series of the Law Reports would take about eighteen months. One volume seems to require on an average two hours to annotate, and it should be possible to do seven or eight a week without interfering seriously with the work on the new catalogue and subject index, which will take rather more than two years. When this is completed, quicker progress could be made with the other English and the Scotch and Irish Reports, if it were decided to annotate these also.

The Bar Library will afford up every facility for making use of their annotations.² [p. 564]

Ordered that the Arms of Mr. Justice Crossman be placed in the Hall and the wording on Lord Justice Maugham's Arms be brought up to date. [p. 565]

Accepted with thanks a pair of silver candlesticks by John Carter dated 1770 presented by Richard Augustus Willes [p. 565]

Read a communication from the Preacher suggesting a collection (or two) during Lent in aid of the fund for the purchase of the Codex Sinaiticus.³ Ordered that there be no collection. [p. 565]

Accepted with thanks three old letters presented by Alfred Adams.⁴ [p. 566]

¹ In March 1935, the practice was changed, allowing a memorial service to be held in the case of any Bencher whose relatives desire it: *post*, pp. 342, 343.

² The manual noting up of the Law Reports was discontinued in March 2000. It was being increasingly displaced by electronic means of searching.

³ This was the Greek New Testament of the fourth century discovered by Tischendorf in 1859 at the monastery of St. Catherine at Mount Sinai. It came to the British Museum from Leningrad in 1933 and was acquired for the nation.

⁴ They are brief notes of little intrinsic interest. One is written and signed by Spencer Perceval, the Prime Minister from 1809 until his assassination in 1812, another by Lord Arden, Perceval's elder brother, and the third by Lord Lyndhurst, Lord Chancellor in the administrations of Canning, Goderich, Wellington and Peel.

Adjourned Council held on February 27th, 1934. [p. 567]

Thirty Benchers present.

Lord Justice Romer announced that Lord Buckmaster, on his doctor's advice, had decided that he must regretfully resign the Treasurership, as it was unlikely that his health would permit him to undertake the duties of the office for many months to come. In the circumstances the Bench accepted Lord Buckmaster's resignation as Treasurer with deep regret. As Sir Felix Cassel did not wish to stand for the Office this year, it was unanimously resolved that Evan Lewis Thomas K.C. be elected Treasurer. This entailed some re-arrangement of the other offices. It was Ordered that Sir Felix Cassel retain the office of Master of the Library; that Mr. Justice Clauson be appointed Dean of the Chapel; and that Lord Russell of Killowen retain the Office of Keeper of the Black Book. Mr. Justice Macnaghten, K.B.E. was appointed Master of the Walks. [*pp.* 567, 568]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee:

"The minute of the Council of the 6th July 1908 with reference to memorial services was considered. The Committee suggest to the Council that reconsideration of the above minute is desirable and that a sub-committee might be appointed for the purpose.

"Upon consideration of the remuneration of the Organist in view of the increase in the number of services, the Committee recommend that a fee of £25 be assigned for the extra work involved in the additional services this year." [*p.* 568]

The Acting Treasurer (Lord Justice Romer) announced that Sir Felix Cassel, who was absent, desired to present to the Society the portrait of His Majesty the King, as senior Bencher of the Inn, painted by Mr. Oswald Birley, which was on view in the Drawing Room. The gift was accepted by the Masters of the Bench with the greatest gratitude, and the Under Treasurer was asked to express this to Sir Felix Cassel and to inform him how much the portrait was admired by all who had seen it. [*p.* 569]

Council held on April 10th, 1934. [p. 570]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Lord Buckmaster to the Under Treasurer.

"When the Council next meets, would you kindly convey to them my thanks for their kind consideration and my appreciation of their sympathy and willingness to help me in circumstances I could not control.

"It is a very great disappointment to me to stumble at the last step of my legal life (it is like catching a crab after you have passed Barnes Bridge), but I must take things as they come. There is no doctor that I have consulted who will promise that I shall be able to walk up the steps of Lincoln's Inn within twelve months. But I doubt you or anybody else has seen me *walk* up them at all. May you all prosper though I am not there." [*pp.* 570, 571]

Ordered that Sir Giles Gilbert Scott be invited to accept the appointment of Architect to the Inn for a term of five years at a retaining fee of 100 guineas per annum.¹ [p. 571]

Council held on May 7th, 1934. [p. 574]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Ordered that a Garden Party be given by the Inn on some date to be fixed in July next. [p. 576]

As to the picture of Lord Loughborough coming up for sale at Christies: Agreed unanimously that the Inn shall contribute to the price to be paid for the portrait (if bought by an anonymous donor to the Inn) so far as it exceeds 1000 guineas to an amount not exceeding 500 guineas. [p. 577]

Council held on May 29th, 1934. [p. 578]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Ordered that H.R.H. Prince George be informed of the Garden Party and that a list of guests be placed in the Drawing Room. [p. 579]

The offer of a portrait of Lord Loughborough painted by Sir Joshua Reynolds, as a presentation of the Inn from Lord Blanesburgh G.B.E. was accepted with unanimous approval, and the Treasurer was desired to write to Lord Blanesburgh expressing the warm thanks of the Masters of the Bench for this valuable and generous gift. [p. 579]

"The offer of a portrait of James Stephen² as a presentation to the Inn from Sir Harry L. Stephen³ was accepted with thanks, which the Treasurer was desired to express to the donor." [p. 579]

Accepted with thanks an offer from Mrs. Symonds to present to the Inn a framed copy of a supplement to *Vanity Fair* "Bench and Bar". [p. 580]

The Treasurer reported that on the request of Lords Blanesburgh, Tomlin and Alness he had arranged for an "At Home" party to be given by the Inn on May 30th, to members of the International Conference on the Protection of Industrial Property which was at present meeting in London to revise the convention on Patent Law, Trade Marks, etc. and that he hoped as many Benchers as possible would attend with their Ladies. [pp. 580, 581]

Council held on June 11th, 1934. [p. 582]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Read communications from His Majesty the King and from His Royal Highness Prince George from which the following extracts are respectively taken. [pp. 582, 583]

¹ Sir Giles Scott's acceptance was reported to Council on May 7th. [p. 576].

² Presumably James Stephen (1758-1832) barrister of Lincoln's Inn, Master in Chancery 1811-1831, grandfather of Sir James Fitzjames Stephen (1829-1894). The portrait is not now in the possession of the Society, and may not have been received.

³ (1860-1945), a son of Sir James Fitzjames Stephen.

"I submitted your letter of the 4th inst to the King who desires me to thank you for informing him, your senior Bencher, of the hospitable activities of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, in which His Majesty was much interested."

"With reference to your letter of 4th June, His Royal Highness, the Prince George would not be able to attend the garden party on July 12th, but would like to attend the meeting and dinner in either October or November."

Ordered upon the motion of the Treasurer that the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Best (C.A. Northern Ireland) be invited to become an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society. [p. 584]

Ordered that the Arms of Lord Alness and Lord Justice Best be put up in the Hall. [p. 585]

"Accepted with thanks the presentation to the Inn by Theobald Mathew Esq. of two silver tankards." [p. 586]

BOOK XLVI

Council held on July 25th, 1934. [p. 1]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported that from communications received it appeared that the Garden Party of the Inn had been much appreciated and the Council expressed their thanks to the staff and especially to Mr. Marriott for the work done in connection with the Party." [p. 1]

"The Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Romer reported the result of the Society's financial year for the year ending 10th January 1934, the year of his Treasurership. He further reported that by order of the Finance Committee the accounts had been prepared in a new and simpler form, this was clearly an improvement and would be continued." [p. 2]

Adopted a report of the Finance Committee recommending Council to adopt the scheme of lighting the Hall proposed by Messrs Holophane at a cost not exceeding £400. [p. 3]

"Adopted a suggestion by Sir Arthur Underhill that New Square be made a 'one way' road for traffic." [p. 3]

"Accepted with thanks a portrait of Lord Brougham presented by Mrs. Heelis of Ambleside whose father, Mr. Rupert Potter,¹ was a barrister and had been a pupil of Lord Cairns. The tradition in the family is that it was given by Lord Brougham to a Mr. Drake ('of Essex') and by him bequeathed to Mrs. Brooks Crompton who gave it to Mr. Potter. There is another version of the picture at Apsley House. It is there catalogued as being by Spiridione Gambardetta,² an Italian refugee (working ?1815-1886)." [pp. 3, 4.]

"Accepted with thanks an ivory statuette of Lord Brougham presented by Wilfrid Green[e] Esq. K.C." [p. 4]

Adjourned Council held on October 2nd, 1934. [p. 5]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench [vol. 45, p. 584; vol. 46, pp. 2, 6]

Sir George Claus Rankin

¹ Potter was admitted to the Inn in 1854, aged 21, and called on November 17th, 1857. His daughter is better known, to young and old alike, under her maiden name "Beatrix Potter". For another portrait of Brougham, see *ante*, p. 181.

² Apparently an error. The true name of the artist is Gambardella.

"The Treasurer reported that he had sent the following telegram to H.R.H. Prince George:

The Treasurer and the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn send their hearty congratulations and felicitation to their brother Benchers on his approaching marriage,

and received the following reply:

Grateful thanks to you and the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn for your good wishes. George."¹ [pp. 5, 6]

"Ordered that a wedding gift be presented to Prince George to be paid for out of the Society's funds and that a committee consisting of the Treasurer [and four named Benchers] be appointed to consider the form and value of the gift." [p. 6]

"Accepted with thanks a list and description of the Arms in the Chapel windows presented by the Rt. Hon. Henry Hobhouse, the list having been made by his grandfather. Ordered that the list be handed to the Librarian for custody." [p. 7]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of a fatal accident to A. Willman, a painter employed by this Honourable Society." [p. 7]

Council held on November 2nd, 1934. [p. 8]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Major Humphrey Butler, Equerry to H.R.H. The Duke of Kent to the Under Treasurer

"I am so sorry about November 2nd, but His Royal Highness has so many engagements that day that it would be quite impossible for him to attend your meeting and dinner. The other two dates which you kindly gave over the telephone do not appear to be very helpful either, as the date in November would be impossible, I think, owing to the fact of His Royal Highness having to entertain his relations and friends who will be in London then, and the date in January will come, I am afraid, while the Prince is at Sandringham. Perhaps you will be having another meeting in March or April of next year, and in that case I am sure that His Royal Highness will be only too delighted to attend." [pp. 8, 9]

Officers for 1935. [p. 9]

Treasurer: Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Russell of Killowen

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Clauson, C.B.E.

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Macnaghten, K.B.E.

Master of the Walks: Francis Henry Launcelot Errington, C.B.

¹ Prince George was married on November 29 to Princess Marina of Greece and Denmark, and created Duke of Kent.

A recommendation of the Finance Committee to Council to authorise the Treasurer to suggest to the Treasurers of the other Inns a donation in equal shares of £250 each to the Inns of Court Mission was not adopted but it was Ordered that a donation of £500 be made to the Inns of Court Mission. [p. 10]

Adopted a recommendation of the Chapel Committee

"that there be no additional services between Michaelmas and Hilary dining terms, but that last year's experiment of holding services on Sunday mornings after Hilary dining term up to and including Palm Sunday be repeated." [p. 11]

A Special Committee was appointed to report "whether any, and if so what, works ought to be taken in hand in regard to the Chapel and the organ." [p. 11]

Council held on November 26th, 1934. [p. 13]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Read a letter from the Director of Recruitment,¹ Colonial Service, dated November 6th, 1934, to the Under Treasurer from which the following extracts are taken

I am writing this in the hope of enlisting your interest, and that of the Benchers of your Inn, in the problem of recruiting the best available material amongst practising barristers for vacancies in the Colonial Legal Service as and when they occur. The great majority of such vacancies are for junior posts such as Magistrates and Crown Counsel. These are open only to barristers, and we usually aim at selecting comparatively young men, under 40 years of age. The normal minimum of technical qualifications is experience in good chambers amounting to about four years...

I have chosen this moment for approaching you for two reasons. In the first place, after a considerable period when, largely owing to financial conditions, little or no recruitment had been taking place, there are now signs of a resumption of activity in this direction. In the last year 6 vacancies of the kind I have referred to have been filled, and we are at present interviewing candidates for 4 others. In the second place, the Secretary of State has recently taken important measures with regard to the reorganisation of the legal work in the Colonies. There has been formed a Colonial Legal Service which embraces the whole of the Colonies and Protectorates. Recruitment for this Service will be chiefly from the Bar. Members of it will be liable to serve in any part of the Colonial Empire though their wishes in the matter will be given full consideration. They will be eligible for promotion from any one Territory to any other, and the field of advancement therefore will be considerable...

From past experience it seems doubtful whether the opportunities for a career provided by the Colonial Legal Service have been sufficiently appreciated amongst Members of the Bar in this country. If this is in fact

¹ Sir Ralph Furse, K.C.M.G., D.S.O. (1887-1973).

the case I am particularly anxious to take practical measures to remedy any defects in liaison. Experience of recruitment for the many other branches of the Colonial Service, such as Administrative, Educational, Medical and other Scientific services, shows that public advertisement is usually a cumbersome and ineffective method of obtaining recruits. A large majority of those who reply to such advertisement turn out to be candidates of little value, with the result that much time and energy is wasted and an unnecessary amount of disappointment is caused to unsuccessful applicants. Various methods of recruitment are in use, but in general I have found it most effective if I could make direct and permanent contact with some impartial official committee or other authority in each potential recruiting centre, whom I could easily keep informed of the general conditions of service and the type of opening likely to be available, and who in return, made it their business to suggest the appropriate branches of the Service as a possible career to men whom they thought really suitable and only to such. Where the latter showed interest, the authority in question would provide me with reliable confidential information about their character, record and qualifications. For example we receive from year to year great assistance in this way from the Appointments Committees of the big Universities, from the Deans of the Hospitals and Medical Schools, and the Principals of Agricultural and Veterinary Colleges etc., etc.

Hitherto we have had no link of this kind with the Bar, and it occurs to me that, if the matter were brought before them, the Benchers of your Inn might perhaps be good enough to take an interest in the question, and possibly to appoint a small sub-committee of their number who would undertake, as between members of their Inn and the Colonial Legal Service, responsibilities roughly analogous to those undertaken for other branches of the Service by the Authorities I have referred to above.

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...I should be grateful if you could let me know whether the idea commends itself to you. If it does it might be desirable that we should meet and discuss the matter further at your early convenience, in view of the fact that certain further vacancies which might be of interest to members of your Inn may occur in the near future.

A similar letter is being addressed to the Under Treasurers of the Inner Temple, Middle Temple, and Gray's Inn.

Ordered that a Committee of [five named Benchers] be appointed to consider the question, to consult the other Inns and the Director of Recruitment and report to the Bench. [*pp.* 14-19]

"Upon consideration of an application from The League of Nations Union to be allowed to hold services of Intercession in the Chapel on the mornings of 13th, 14th and 15th December, the Under Treasurer was instructed to reply that the Benchers are unable to lend the Chapel for the proposed services." [*p.* 19]

"Read a communication from The Public Trustee re the following bequest to the Inn by the late Sir James Greig, C.B., K.C.

I give to the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn the sum of Fifty Pounds to be applied by them (if they accept this legacy) in purchasing a piece of plate in memory of me and as a token of the many pleasant memories I have of the company of my fellow Benchers of the Inn.

"Ordered that the bequest be accepted and that the question of the purchase of a piece of plate be referred to the Picture Committee." [p. 20]

Read the report of the Special Committee re the Wedding Gift to His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent. The Committee had decided to present the Duke with a replica of the Raynsford Cup, and entrusted the work under the supervision of Mr. Archer to Mrs. Allen of Wetherby Studios. Hereford Square, W. The work was exceedingly well carried out and for several days was on view in the Drawing Room. It was presented to the Duke on Thursday November 22nd by the Treasurer accompanied by two other Benchers. The Duke of Kent "was pleased to express his admiration and acceptance of the Cup." The cup was enclosed in an oak case made in the Inn's workshops by the Inn's own workmen. [p. 20]

"Adopted the report of the Picture Committee recommending the Bench to purchase the portrait of Archbishop Tillotson at £50." [p. 20]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1934. [p. 29]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

A Special Committee consisting of four Benchers was appointed to enquire and report as to temperature of the wine cellars in relation to the adjacent boiler. [p. 30]

Treasurers: Viscount Buckmaster, G.C.V.O. Resigned Feb 27
Evan Lewis Thomas, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. June 10 Sir James William Greig, C.B., K.C.
2. December 5 Viscount Buckmaster, above

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Sir George Claus Rankin
 2. William Cleveland Cleveland-Stevens, K.C.
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1935

Council held on January 11th, 1935. [p. 31]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

William Cleveland Cleveland-Stevens, K.C. [pp. 29, 32]

"Granted an application from The London Library for a copy of the Black Books." [p. 31]

Read the following report of the two Benchers appointed to check the Society's silver.

"... we have checked the whole of the plate with the records of the Society and beg to report that subject to the following observations the records are in order and the plate was produced for our inspection.

OBSERVATIONS

(a) One silver table spoon dated 1848 is missing.

(b) One silver match box presented to the Bar by the Chaplain, Mr. Harrington, was not entered in the records. This omission has been corrected.

"A few articles of minor importance require repair. Particulars thereof have been noted by the Clerk who assisted us in the audit.

"We consider that it would be of advantage that the cases containing the articles in the strong room be correctly labelled with a description of the contents.

"Certain errors in the records in the description of the plate in the strong room were discovered in the course of our inspection. These have been corrected.

"We should like to add that we were greatly impressed by the excellent condition in which the plate has been kept and with the knowledge thereof and the interest therein displayed by the staff responsible for its custody." [p. 32]

Read the report of the death of William Frederick Charles Suter, late Librarian and a pensioner of the Society. [p. 33]

Ordered upon the Motion of Mr. Justice Bennett "That it be a standing order of the Masters of the Bench that, except in a case which the Treasurer shall decide to be one of urgency, no proposal involving the expenditure of money of the Society be voted upon at a Council Meeting before such proposal has been considered by the Finance Committee and they have reported to the Council thereon." [p. 33]

Referred to the Library Committee for consideration and report the Motion of Mr. Justice Bennett That no person who is not a member of the Society be permitted to use its library without the permission of the Council except only a member of one of the other Inns of Court who desires to refer to a book not in the library of his own Inn and that the Librarian be notified of this resolution. [p. 33]

Council held on January 31st, 1935. [p. 35]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

A Committee was appointed "to consider the presentation of an address to the Senior Bencher, His Majesty the King, on the occasion of his Jubilee and also to consider whether any other steps should be taken to celebrate the occasion." [p. 36]

"Resolved that Counsel be briefed to represent the Inn at the enquiry into the London County Council Town Planning Scheme to secure if possible the exclusion of Lincoln's Inn from the scheme." [p. 36]

Adopted the following Report of the Library Committee

"At a meeting of the Library Committee held 24th January 1935 Resolved to recommend to Council that a regulation should be made to the following effect, viz.

"That no person who is not a member of this Honourable Society be permitted to use its Library; but this is not to prevent the Library Committee or (in case of emergency) the Master of the Library, from granting permission to use the Library to any person in special cases.

"The Library Committee suggests that in the event of any agreement being come to with any other Inn for reciprocity the regulation should be reconsidered.

"The Library Committee further suggests that in the case of certain members of the Bar, not members of Lincoln's Inn, stated to be some eleven in number, who at present have permission to use the Lincoln's Inn Library, the regulation shall not apply until the beginning of next Long Vacation." [pp. 36,37]

Adopted the following report of the Discipline Committee:

"Upon consideration of a complaint against Arthur Frederick Andrew Cole, a Barrister of this Society, it is reported that Mr. G.W. Penrice appeared before the Committee and argued his case at great length. The Committee came to the conclusion that Mr. Penrice had shown no *prima facie* case against Mr. Cole and recommend the Bench to take no action."¹ [pp. 37, 38]

"Granted an application from Professor A.L. Goodhart to be allowed the use of the Hall on 10th July next for the Jubilee dinner of the Law Quarterly Review on condition that the luncheons of Barristers and Students be not interfered with. If the staff of the Inn be employed for the dinner, the Inn's plate may be used." [p. 38]

"Granted an application on behalf of Mr. Edward Carver, a Barrister of this Inn, to be allowed the use of the Chapel and one of the Halls on the occasion of his daughter's wedding in June next, subject to the wedding being on a Saturday, with leave to use one of the Halls, but if not in vacation, it must be the Old Hall." [p. 38]

¹ Mr. Penrice was a plaintiff litigant in person in an action against solicitors for negligence in approving a contract for the sale of land to the plaintiff and in drawing the ensuing conveyance. The action was tried by Avory J. and a jury which found for the defendants. Appeals to the Court of Appeal and the House of Lords were dismissed. Mr. Arthur Cole, later a Bencher, was a conveyancer of 25 years standing who had given expert evidence for the defendants. Mr. Penrice sought to say that he had committed perjury in the course of his evidence.

"Ordered, the Treasurer having certified urgency, that Mr. A.E. Haswell Miller, Keeper of the Scottish National Portrait Gallery, be commissioned to paint for the Inn a copy of the portrait of Sir Thomas Walmesley, owned by Captain C.B. Petre of Dunkerhalgh (near Barrow, Lancs.), subject to the owner's permission, for a fee of £50, plus expenses estimated at £10. Sir Thomas Walmesley (1537-1612) was a Bencher of Lincoln's Inn and created a Justice of the Common Pleas." [p. 38]

"Granted an application from the University Library of Sheffield for a copy of the Black Books." [p. 39]

Read the following communication to the Treasurer signed by H.R.H. The Duke of Kent, K.G.

"I want to thank you so much, and through you the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn for the kind present you sent me on the occasion of my marriage. I think the two-handled jug is lovely, and I much appreciate the kind thought which prompted the gift.

"Ordered that the original letter be preserved." [p. 39]

Mem: the letter is in the custody of the Librarian.

Adjourned Council held on March 5th, 1935. [p. 40]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"The gift of a first edition of Sir Thomas More's English Works (1557) presented by The Right Honourable Lord Russell of Killowen was gratefully accepted and a vote of thanks to the donor was passed." [p. 40]

"The Treasurer (or in case of his inability to attend, a Bencher nominated by him) was appointed to represent this Honourable Society at a Demonstration in honour of Sir Thomas More on 5th May next." [p. 40]

Adopted the report of the Special Committee appointed to consider a communication from the Director of Recruitment, Colonial Service, which contains the following paragraph

"After full discussion it was resolved unanimously by those representing the Inns of Court that it be recommended with a view to giving all the assistance practicable to the Colonial Office in the above matter, that each Inn should appoint its own committee for the selection of suitable candidates, and that the committees thus appointed, should be desired to consider jointly in what way they can best co-operate with each other."

Ordered that a committee be appointed consisting of the Treasurer and three named Benchers. [pp. 41, 42]

"Read a representation by the Calcutta Bar, the Bar Association and the Incorporated Law Society regarding the proposals of the Joint Parliamentary Committee as to the High Courts and the sub-ordinate judiciary in India." [p. 42]

Ordered that the Arms of the Rt. Hon. Sir George Claus Rankin be put up in the Hall. [p. 42]

"Adopted a recommendation from the Finance Committee that a Special Committee be appointed to consider the whole question as to provision made at present for the Common Room and as to providing luncheon facilities for Barristers' Clerks, and the recommendation was extended to include the Students Common Room." [p. 42]

Adopted the following list of annual donations

Barristers Benevolent Association	£120
Inns of Court Mission	100
Charing Cross Hospital	40.13.9*
Royal Free Hospital	40.13.9*
Selden Society	38.15*
United Law Clerks Society	16. 5.6*
Church of St. Anselm and St. Cecilia, Kingsway	10.10
Society of Comparative Legislation	21
Charity Organisation Society	15.10*
The Vicar of St. Clements Danes	10.10
The Rector of St. Giles-in-the-Fields	10.10
Children's Country Holiday Fund (St. Giles)	10.10
Children's Country Holiday Fund (St. Clements)	5. 5
Royal Courts of Justice Staff Sick Fund	10.10
Holy Trinity Church	10.10
	<u>£461. 3</u>

*This represents the net amount after the deduction of Income Tax at 4/6.

Approved the report of the Finance Committee in which they

1. Support the recommendation as to Special Jubilee Grand Day in Easter Term.
2. Support recommendation for presentation of Black Books to His Majesty the King.
3. That they feel some difficulty about an entertainment for Benchers and their friends and visitors only, without including other Members of the Inn.
4. Endorse recommendations of Chapel Committee as to memorial services and as to appointment of a Chaplain.
5. Endorse recommendation of sub-committee to convert a cellar for the storage of white wines at an estimated cost of £100. [pp. 43, 44]

"Adopted the following recommendations of the Sub-Committee on Memorial Services and the appointment of a Chaplain

"The Council on the 6th July 1908 ordered that no memorial service be held unless by the direction of the Treasurer, and that the Treasurer do not direct such a service unless requested in writing to do so by at least three Benchers.

"We believe that, whether or not the requirements of the last mentioned order have been strictly complied with, the practice has in recent years been that the Treasurer has authorised memorial services in the case of ex-Treasurers and ex-Judges (using judge in the sense of 'holder of high judicial office') and in those cases only, save that memorial services were held for one Benchers who did not fall within that category, and for the wife of that Benchers (the only case of which we are aware of a memorial service for a non-Benchers). In all these cases (except that of the lady) the expense appears to have been borne by the Inn. There has been a prevalent notion that the relatives of any deceased Benchers would be allowed to have a memorial service for him at their own expense, but such a case does not seem to have occurred.

"The expense of a memorial service is about £15. It is to be noted that the expense does not include any fee for the clergyman who conducts the service. We understand that in no recent year has the number of deaths among Benchers exceeded five. The average over a period of years appears to be about three a year.

"We recommend the Council to order that the Treasurer be authorised and requested to direct the holding of a memorial service at the expense of the Inn in case of the death of a Benchers whose near relatives desire it, provided that no such service be held outside the period of the sittings of the High Court. If this recommendation be adopted there will we believe be no difficulty in making arrangements for the ascertainment of the wishes of the relatives through the routine machinery of the Office immediately upon the news of the death reaching the Inn.

"The practice which we recommend is in accordance with the practice followed by the Middle Temple and Gray's Inn. The Inner Temple require the executors to pay the expense of the service unless the deceased occupied a position of exceptional but undefined eminence.

"We however desire to draw attention of the Council of the anomalous and very inconvenient position which now subsists in regard to the Clerical officers of the Inn.

"Previously to the year 1917 the Inn had two Clerical officers, the Preacher and the Chaplain. The Preacher ranked as the sixth in seniority at the Benchers' table and his duty was to preach on all Sunday mornings in term (the word term being used in this report in the strict sense corresponding to what is now called the Dining Term), and the practice was, we believe, that he should also preach on most Sunday mornings during the rest of the year, excluding only the Long Vacation, during which the Chapel was closed. The office of Preacher was always held by a clergyman of considerable standing and position. The great majority of our Preachers until the latter part of the nineteenth century vacated office only on appointment to a Bishopric. Dr. Wace and his successors became Deans. The Preacher had no obligation to do anything but preach, though he would usually take some part in the service if present.

"The Chaplaincy is the older of the two offices and has been held by men of distinction, such as F.D. Maurice, but the Chaplain's duties were on a different plane to those of the Preacher. His duties were to sing or say the service on all Sunday mornings and afternoons and on Saints Days and to preach in the absence of the Preacher, and on all Sunday afternoons. For a period during the nineteenth century he conducted a daily service. When the chaplaincy was abolished in 1917 the Sunday afternoon service and the Saints Day services were discontinued, and the Sunday morning services were cut down to Sundays in term, i.e. 13 a year. The late Preacher, Dr. Gamble, and the present Preacher, Archdeacon Storr, agreed to sing the services on those few Sundays and have as a matter of fact conducted the Memorial Services and officiated on the few occasions on which marriages have been permitted in the Chapel. It must, however, be remembered that while Dr. Gamble, under the stress of the economy campaign of 1917, was good enough to help in this way, and while Archdeacon Storr agreed to carry on in his footsteps, these are services in which the Inn cannot in the future expect under ordinary circumstances to get from a clergyman occupying the position in the church which Preachers have always occupied.

"Last year and this year, in view of the desire of many Benchers that the Sunday morning services should be continued during Lent, Archdeacon Storr, at considerable personal sacrifice, agreed to be responsible for these extra services, stipulating only that during his period of 'residence' at the Abbey, we should accept a substitute, The burden which our Preacher has thus so generously accepted is one which the Inn may well hesitate to continue to lay upon his willing shoulders. If the Memorial Services are to be substantially increased in number, we shall, unless altered arrangements are made, be placing a further burden upon him.

"We submit to the Council that the time has come when the Chaplaincy should be restored, particularly as the increased attendance at the Sunday services and at the succeeding lunches shows that the Chapel and its services are valued by a large number of Benchers as well as by others. Even if Sunday morning services took place throughout the sittings (at present they are limited to Sunday mornings in Term and in Lent) there should, we believe, be no difficulty in getting the services of a clergyman of adequate standing at an annual salary of £150 per annum. He would be responsible for all services in the Chapel, though he would preach only in the absence of the Preacher. He would have the privilege of dining (at the cost of the Inn) at the Bar Table in term time; and while he would be expected to attend on Grand Nights, there would be no reason to place him under obligation (as the Chaplain used to be) to attend and say grace at all Dinners. We believe that the position would, apart from the question of salary, be attractive to many men of a desirable type. The appointment of a permanent Chaplain, while relieving our present Preacher, would settle many difficulties as regards, for instance, lending the Chapel for marriages and for baptisms; and unless such an

appointment is made it is difficult to see how we can expect that in the event, which we selfishly hope will be distant, of our present Preacher being taken from us for other duties, we shall be able to replace him by a successor worthy of him and his predecessors in office. The Chaplain should, we suggest, be appointed to hold office at the pleasure of the Bench." [pp. 44-48]

"Adopted recommendation from the Chapel Committee that the Bench authorise removal and storage of fragmentary glass in west window of Chapel." [p. 48]

"Adopted the following report of the Jubilee Committee with the exception of para. no. 4 which was **NOT** adopted

"Upon consideration as to what steps should be taken to celebrate the occasion of His Majesty's Silver Jubilee.

1. The Committee, subject to His Majesty's approval, recommend Council that a copy of the Black Books, suitably bound, inscribed from the Society of Lincoln's Inn, be presented to His Majesty.
2. Recommend Council that the Chapel Committee be requested to make suitable arrangements for special Jubilee Service on 12th May.
3. Recommend Council that there be a special Jubilee Grand Day in Easter Term. Visitors from Empire and abroad should be invited, the Duke of Kent to be invited and that Barristers and Students do ballot.
4. Recommend for consideration of the Council the question whether an evening party with music shall be given about the first week in June primarily for the purpose of entertaining distinguished overseas guests and their ladies, such party to be limited to Benchers and their ladies and guests and their ladies." [pp. 48, 49]

"Ordered that a Garden Party be held and it was referred to the Jubilee Committee to fix the date. The Council approved the proposal that an entertainment be provided for the Staff of the Inn, and referred the matter to the Jubilee Committee." [p. 49]

Adjourned Council held on April 2nd, 1935. [p. 50]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

"Read the Under Treasurer's Report of the death of the Hon. Oliver Wendell Holmes, an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society. A Memorial Service was held in the Chapel on Tuesday 12th March." [p. 52]

"Accepted with thanks the presentation by Rudolph Moritz, Esq., K.C. of letters and papers relating to the Tichborne case."¹ [p. 53]

¹ These consist of a substantial archive of papers including eight volumes of letters and two of newspaper cuttings. They came from the office of John Holmes, a solicitor, who acted for the claimant during part of the protracted proceedings. Viscount Maugham acknowledges his use of them in the preface to his book, *The Tichborne Case* (London 1936).

"Upon consideration of an invitation to send delegates to the XIth International Penal and Penitentiary Congress at Berlin in August next, Roland Edmund Vaughan Williams, Esq., K.C. was appointed to represent this Honourable Society if he should find it possible to attend the congress." [p. 53]

"The Chapel Committee were authorised to appoint the Rev. Eric Abbott as Chaplain to the Society." [p. 53]

"Ordered that on Monday 6th May no luncheons be served in the Hall or Benchers Room. Dinner to be as usual with champagne at the Barristers and Students Tables." [p. 53]

Council held on April 30th, 1935. [p. 54]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Middle Temple concerning the Report of the Legal Education Committee dated July 1934 which includes the following passage

"With regard to Part B (Institute of Legal Research) that this Bench expresses its readiness to consider the proposal therein contained when a definite scheme has been formulated." [p. 55]

Adopted the following Report of the Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court appointed to consider a proposal contained in the Report of the 'Legal Education Committee' respecting the formation of an Advisory Committee, its constitution and the matters for its consideration

The [Joint] Committee resolved unanimously to recommend as follows

1. That in order to ensure the representation of each Inn of Court, the proposed Advisory Committee (referred to in paragraph 15 of the Report) should contain one Representative of each Inn of Court to be selected by the Bench thereof from its members on the Council of Legal Education.
2. That in constituting the proposed Advisory Committee and setting out its functions full effect be given to the principle set out in paragraph 10 of the Report "that it is for the professional bodies alone to decide what degree of professional knowledge shall qualify for admission to the profession and to determine the tests by which that proficiency shall be ascertained"; and that the same principle shall be made applicable to the standard of general education to be attained before admission as a student of an Inn of Court. [pp. 56, 57]

Read the Report of the Chapel Committee that they have appointed the Rev. Eric Abbott Chaplain to the Society

THE CHAPLAIN

1. The Chaplain must be in Priest's Orders and will according to ancient custom be appointed to hold office at the pleasure of the Bench terminable

at any time. [He] will be free to retire on one calendar months notice. His salary will be £150 per annum.

2. He will (subject to the directions of the Bench, conveyed through the Dean of the Chapel) be responsible for conducting the Sunday morning service on such Sundays (not being in the Long Vacation) as the Bench may from time to time determine. The Preacher of the Inn when present takes such part, if any, as he (the Preacher) desires. By custom the Preacher gives the blessing and celebrates. At present, Sunday morning services take place on the Sundays in the Dining Terms and on all Sundays in the Hilary Sittings. The Preacher preaches on Sundays in the Dining Terms (except when the Warburton Lecture is preached) and on such other Sundays as he thinks proper. The Chaplain will preach in the absence of the Preacher, but subject to any arrangement which the Bench may make for special preachers.

3. The Chaplain will (subject to like direction) be responsible for conducting such extra services as may (by direction or permission of the Bench) be held in the Chapel, e.g. Memorial Services and the annual Inns of Court O.T.C. service. He will attend and be in charge of the service on any occasions when the Chapel is lent for weddings or baptisms. He will be entitled to a fee of two guineas for a wedding.

4. The Chaplain has free commons in Hall at dinner during the Dining Term, and will be entitled, vested in cassock and gown, to occupy the accustomed Chaplain's place at the Bar Table (the third seat in the second mess). When he is present it will be his duty to say grace before and after meat, standing by the Treasurer. He will be expected to attend on Grand Day (when he will usually be invited to dine at the Benchers Table) but he will not be under obligation to attend on other days.

5. On Sundays the Chaplain may attend luncheon if he so desires as a guest of the Benchers.

6. In case of illness or absence from duty with the Treasurer's leave, the Chaplain will provide a proper substitute to be approved by the Treasurer. [pp. 57, 58]

"Adopted a recommendation from the Building Committee that the Council refer it to a suitable committee to consider and report whether a sinking or depreciation fund ought not to be created by an annual appropriation out of reserve to provide for the rebuilding in due course of the buildings of the Inn." [p. 58]

Adopted the following Report of the Finance Committee

The resignation of John Hiley Buckthorpe the Master of the Night Watch was accepted with regret. The Committee desire to express their appreciation of his long and faithful service. Letter to be signed by the Treasurer.¹

¹ Buckthorpe died in 1946: see *post*, p. 496. For Badge and other porters, see 5BB.lxviii, lxix.

Recommend that H.Barrall one of the supernumary porters be appointed Master of the Night Watch.

Ordered that a gratuity of £10 be granted to Buckthorpe. [p. 59]

"Adopted the following recommendations from the Jubilee Committee

1. That notwithstanding the Order of Council of 2nd April, there be no luncheon or dinner in Hall on 6th May with a view to giving the staff a full holiday on that day and that for the purpose of keeping term, every student shall be allowed one dinner

2. That in recognition of the Jubilee of His Majesty the King, the Senior Benchers, a gratuity shall be given to the staff to an amount not exceeding in all £120 the amounts to be allocated according to the direction of the Treasurer

but the amount of £120 in No. 2 is to be increased to £130." [p. 59]

"Read the Report of the Under Treasurer that Canon Simpson has not presented the Library of the Inn with a copy of his Warburton Lectures. The Treasurer was requested to communicate with Canon Simpson on the matter. [p. 60]

"Read the Report of the Warburton Trustees that they have appointed Canon Phythian-Adams as the next Warburton Lecturer." [p. 60]

Council held on May 27th, 1935. [p. 62]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Received the Treasurer's report of the following which he sent to His Majesty the King from Lincoln's Inn at dinner on 13th May 1935.

The Treasurer, Benchers, Barristers and Students of Lincoln's Inn with their humble duty and loyal affection to Your Majesty send to Your Majesty as Senior Master of the Bench their warmest congratulations on the occasion of Your Majesty's Silver Jubilee, and their best wishes that Your Majesty's beneficent reign may long continue, and that Your Majesty may long remain the Senior Master of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn.

and His Majesty's reply thereto

As Senior Master of the Bench, I have received with great pleasure the message on the occasion of my Silver Jubilee from the Treasurer, Benchers, Barristers and Students of Lincoln's Inn.

I recall with pride my association of over 43 years with Lincoln's Inn, and it was a great disappointment to me to be prevented, through illness, from being present at the re-opening of your famous Old Hall in 1928.

I am glad to think that my son, the Duke of Kent, himself a Benchers, and some of my Dominion Prime Ministers are with you this evening, and I thank you all sincerely for your affectionate congratulations and good wishes.

Ordered that the message and reply thereto be screened in the Hall and Library." [pp. 63,64]

Read the report of the Treasurer on the presentation of a copy of the Black Books to his Majesty the King.

The Treasurer, Benchers, Barristers and Students of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn with their humble duty to Your Majesty, in asking Your Majesty's gracious acceptance of a copy of the Black Books of Lincoln's Inn, on the occasion of Your Majesty's Silver Jubilee, desire to say, that there are no entries in the Records of the Inn of which they are more proud than those which record the fact that Your Majesty has been Senior Master of the Bench for over 43 years and that Your Majesty filled the office of Treasurer in 1904.

The King's Secretary replied to the Treasurer on 17th May

The King was most gratified to receive the Black Books of Lincoln's Inn, which you brought to the Palace on Wednesday as a gift from the Treasurer, Benchers, Barristers and Students of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn on the occasion of His Majesty's Silver Jubilee. I am commanded to ask you to be good enough to convey to all those concerned His Majesty's thanks for this valuable and interesting gift, which the King is all the more glad to have in view of His Majesty's own position as the Senior Bencher of Lincoln's Inn. [pp. 64,65]

Read the following communication from The Bâtonnier and members of the Council of the Order of the Bar of Paris and the Treasurer's reply thereto. The communication had been addressed to the Lord Chief Justice.

The Bâtonnier and Members of the Council of the Order, in the name of the Bar of Paris, associate themselves with the joy and pride of all their confrères of the English Bar on the occasion of the Jubilee of His Majesty King George V., and would be grateful if you would transmit to the Treasurers of the Four Inns their best feelings of brotherhood.

On behalf of the Benchers and Barristers of Lincoln's Inn I desire to thank you Monsieur le Bâtonnier and the Members of the Council of the Order and the Bar of Paris for the kind message sent on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee of His Majesty the King to the Lord Chief Justice of England which he has transmitted to us. I assure you that we have been most deeply moved by the friendly and fraternal sentiment which you have expressed and which we most heartily reciprocate. [pp. 65,66]

"Ordered that no action be taken upon a circular communication from the Lord Mayor re the Silver Jubilee National Thank Offering Fund." [p. 66]

"Approved the action of the Treasurer in allowing the inclusion of the Inn's portrait of His Majesty the King in an exhibition of the Kings and Queens of England in aid of King George's Jubilee Trust." [p. 66]

Read the following communication from the Rev. Professor D.C. Simpson, D.D., Oriel College Oxford

I shall regard it not merely as a duty but as a privilege to deliver to you a copy of my Warburton Lectures for Lincoln's Inn Library as soon as they are finished. [p. 66]

"The Treasurer reported the presentation to the Inn of a silver Rose Water Dish by the Rt. Hon. Richard Bedford Bennett. Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to write a suitable letter of thanks." [p. 67]

"Received and approved the report of the Treasurer, that as recommended by the Building Committee, he had ordered a flagstaff and flag for the Inn. The design of the flag bearing the arms of the Inn, had been approved by Sir Giles Scott. It would be flown on the S.W. tower of the New Hall on suitable occasions, the first to be June 6th, the date of the Garden Party. The total cost would not exceed £15." [pp. 67, 68]

Council held on June 18th, 1935. [p. 68]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Henry Arthur Hollond was elected an Honorary Bencher with precedence on the Bench next after Sir William Searle Holdsworth, K.C. [p. 69]

Adopted the following recommendations of the Special Chapel Committee which had been duly considered by the Finance Committee.

1. To carry out the installation of a new system of heating in the Chapel in accordance with the Surveyor's report and estimate £370.
2. To carry out the treatment of walls, windows and roof in accordance with Sir Giles Scott's recommendations at an estimated cost of £950.
3. To carry out the tonal alterations to the Organ at an estimated cost of £96 and mechanical improvements at an estimated cost of £307.10 in accordance with the recommendations of Sir James Swinburne.

subject to increase of the £950 mentioned in para. 2 to £1000. [pp. 69, 70]

"Read a communication from the Solicitor that the Inn has been excluded from the Town and Country Planning Act 1932, County of London Resolution No. 19." [p. 70]

Read the following communication from the Rev. Professor Osterley concerning the Warburton Lectures

"I am glad to say that the publishers whom I approached have undertaken to publish these at their own risk. I will get to work at once in revising the lectures and put them into publishing form; as delivered they were, as is usual in these cases, only a first draft. But this will not take me more than a few months." [p. 71]

Council held on July 8th, 1935. [p. 73]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

John Norman Daynes, K.C. [pp. 69, 74]

"Accepted an offer of the Treasurer to present to the Inn a miniature of St. Thomas More by Hans Holbein the younger. A vote of thanks was carried by acclamation."¹ [p. 75]

"Read a communication from Mrs. Lewis Thomas that by his will her husband has left

To the Treasurer for the time being of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn the sum of £100 with a *request* (but not so as to constitute any enforceable trust) that he will purchase with it for the use of the Benchers of that Society a piece of plate in memory of the happy days spent in their company"

"Ordered that the gift be acknowledged with grateful thanks and that the Treasurer be requested to select a piece of plate with suitable inscription." [p. 76]

"Accepted an offer from Dr. Emil von Hofmannsthal to present to the Inn a piece of old Russian silver with views of Leningrad thereon. The Treasurer was requested to send a letter of thanks." [p. 76]

"The Treasurer called attention to the importance of Benchers who have undertaken to move the Call of Students attending the Call Council, or, if unavoidably prevented from so doing, writing to the Treasurer." [p. 76]

Adjourned Council held on July 23rd, 1935. [p. 77]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"Granted an application from the University of London for the Inn to entertain at tea on the 9th July 1936 a party from the Quinquennial Anglo-American Historical Conference." [pp. 77,78]

"The Treasurer reported communications from the Director of Legal Studies and the General Council of the Bar respectively with reference to a fee of £105 paid by Mr. J.L. Roy,² a barrister of this Inn, to Mr. H.V. Wickham, a barrister of the Middle Temple, for reading in Chambers for a period of one year. Mr. Wickham had died when less than three months of this period had elapsed and the balance of the fee was irrecoverable. It was resolved that the Treasurer be authorised to communicate with the Treasurer of the Middle Temple and offer a contribution of twenty five guineas from Lincoln's Inn towards provision of the fee for the completion of Mr. Roy's

¹ The attribution of this miniature to Holbein the Younger has been doubted. It was carefully examined in 1989 by the late Robert Bayne-Powell, an expert on miniature paintings. He was in little doubt that it was painted in the sixteenth century, but in great doubt that it was painted by Holbein. The face did not conform to either of the two styles used by Holbein; even more worrying is that the SS chain is painted in reverse, not a mistake which one would expect of a jeweller which Holbein was. Bayne-Powell produced a colour print of a group miniature now in the Victoria and Albert Museum, painted by Rowland Lockey in c.1595. The group consisted of the members of the More family. The then living members were painted from life, those deceased (including, of course, Thomas More himself) were copied from other paintings since lost. The chain in the Lockey group is also reversed. The single portrait of More was probably commissioned by a member of the Quicke family, cousins of the Mores, from Lockey, and retained in that family until it was sold in the 20th century.

² Jaladhi Lal Roy, from Calcutta. Admitted December 18, 1930, aged 21.

period of reading in Chambers provided that the Middle Temple find a suitable barrister for the purpose and pay the balance of the fee." [p. 78]

Adopted the following report of the Special Committee appointed to consider the question as to the provision made at present for the Barristers Common Room, and as to providing luncheon facilities for Barristers Clerks and as to provision for a Students Common Room. The Committee recommended

1. That as from the 1st September, the writing room and the old grill room be not placed at the disposal of the Common Room Committee.
2. That the writing room be re-constructed so as to form a separate set of Chambers to be entered from No. 6 Stone Buildings.
3. That the old grill room be reconstructed and furnished as a Common Room for the Students in place of the present Common Room at No. 8 Stone Buildings. Lavatory accommodation to be provided.
4. Present Students Common Room to be let.
5. That the proposal for the provision of a luncheon room for Barristers Clerks be not entertained.

Work specified to be carried out in the Long Vacation. Subject to the approval of the Common Room Committee the Treasurer to be at liberty to modify the arrangements so as to provide a Clerks Room. [pp. 78,79]

Read the resignation of Mr. Tylor the Kitchen Superintendent. Referred to the Kitchen Committee to appoint a successor. [p. 79]

Adjourned Council held on October 7th, 1935. [p. 80]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Adopted the following recommendations of the Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court appointed to assist the Colonial Office in the selection of candidates for legal posts vacant from time to time in the colonies.

1. That it is desirable that the Under Treasurer of each of the four Inns should take steps to obtain lists of barristers of their own Inns willing to take Colonial Legal Appointments with all necessary information obtainable and that these lists be reviewed from time to time by the existing Committee of each Inn respectively.
2. That one representative be nominated by each of the four Inns to serve as a Joint Committee to make recommendations to the Colonial Office as and when required.
3. That the Colonial Office be requested to communicate vacancies to the Under Treasurer of each Inn and that the Under Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn be requested to give notice for meetings of the Joint Committee. [pp. 80, 81]

"Read a communication from the Middle Temple that they have resolved to pay the fees of Mr. J.L. Roy, a Barrister of this Society, for reading in Chambers." [p. 81]

"Granted an application from the National Vigilance Association and International Bureau to be allowed the use of the Hall for their Jubilee Dinner in February next, subject to a suitable date being arranged." [p. 82]

Council held on November 4th, 1935. [p. 83]

Forty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Lewis Noad, K.C. [pp. 75, 82, 85]

Arthur Percy Vanneck [pp. 81, 85]

Also invited:

Leonard Francis Potts [pp. 81, 85]

Officers for 1936 [p. 84]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Russell of Killowen

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Clauson, C.B.E.

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Macnaghten, K.B.E.

Keeper of the Black Book: Francis Henry Launcelot Errington, C.B.

Master of the Walks: Theobald Mathew

"The Treasurer reported that he proposes to commemorate his Treasurership during the Silver Jubilee Year of the Senior Master of the Bench by founding three scholarships of £200 a year each, one to be given each year and to be tenable for three years, and asked the Council to appoint a Committee to assist him with the establishment of the trusts."

A Committee of seven named Benchers was appointed.

"Thereupon the Treasurer-elect, the Rt. Hon. Lord Russell of Killowen, expressed on behalf of the Masters of the Bench their gratitude to the Treasurer for the splendid benefaction in commemoration of his Treasurership during the year of the Silver Jubilee of the Senior Benchers H.M. King George V. and concluded by observing that in view of the foundation of these three scholarships the Society was not only 'Societas Honorabilis' but also 'Societas Felix'." [pp. 84, 85]

"Ordered that subject to his approval, the Arms of the Right Honourable Lord Justice Greene be placed in the Hall." [p. 86]

"Adopted the Report of the Kitchen Committee that they have engaged Arthur Spencer George Mead as Kitchen Superintendent from the 2nd September 1935 at a wage of £4.10/- per week." [p. 86]

"Approved the Report of the Chapel Committee that they have ordered 100 volumes of Prayer Books @ 4/6 per volume, that 54 Hymn Books be rebound @ 5/- per volume and that 60 new Anthem Books including appendix be purchased at 7/6 per volume. Total expenditure £58.10.-." [p. 87]

Council held on November 25th, 1935. [p. 89]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"Read the Report of Mr. Errington and Mr. Walters that Mr. Leonard Francis Potts¹ has declined the invitation to the Bench of this Honourable Society." [p. 90]

¹ Born 1860, called 1885. Practised as an equity draftsman and conveyancer in chambers at 13 Old Square. Died on February 13th, 1937, aged 77. And *post*, p. 654, n. 1..

Called to the Bench: [*pp.* 74, 81, 86, 90, 91]

Charles Ernest Rowland Abbott

Lucius Widdrington Byrne

John Bennett

"Read a communication from the Middle Temple stating that the difficulties with regard to the Reading in Chambers of Mr. J.L. Roy, a barrister of Lincoln's Inn had been satisfactorily settled by the payment by the Middle Temple of Seventy-five guineas for the completion of such reading. The Treasurer was desired to write to the Treasurer of the Middle Temple thanking the Benchers of that Inn for the generous and considerate way in which they had treated the matter." [*p.* 89]

"The Hon. Mr. Justice Bennett moved:— that the Treasurer do examine the Under Treasurer as to the alleged appearance within the precincts of the Inn of a pheasant hen in the month of October last and as to the alleged visit of an owl to the Old Hall in the present month and that if after such examination the Council is satisfied of the visits of these birds or either of them to the Inn the Keeper of the Black Book be requested to cause a record of the facts to be made in the current Black Book.

"The Treasurer reported, that having had notice of the motion, he had already carried out its terms. He was satisfied on evidence given him by the Under Treasurer, that a hen pheasant had visited the grounds of the Inn on the mornings of October 28th and 29th. It was tame in character and had been seen by various persons including the Under Treasurer. It had walked about in New Square and the Kitchen Garden. The Chief Porter vouched for the visit of the owl. It had been discovered by him in the Book Room of the Old Hall at 10 a.m. on Monday, November 4th and had been released by him through a window on the instructions of the Office." [*p.* 92]

"Granted an application for the loan of the portrait of Sir John Skynner by Gainsborough for a Gainsborough Exhibition in aid of the Royal Northern Hospital." [*p.* 92]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1935. [*p.* 93]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Adopted para. 1 of the following recommendations of the Picture Committee and referred paras. 2 and 3 to the Buildings Committee

1. That an oil painting of Sir John Comyns shall be purchased by the Inn at a price not exceeding £50.
2. The removal of the gas brackets and the mezzotints on the north wall of the lobby and the placing of oil paintings there so as to complete the scheme of decoration of that part of the lobby, and if practicable the lighting should be by lights above the glass in the roof of that part of the lobby.
3. It was resolved that suitable labels be placed on the oil paintings of the Society where they are wanted. [*pp.* 93, 94]

Adopted the following report of the Sinking Fund Committee

1. The Committee obtained a report from the Surveyor on the Society's Property other than in New Square. From this it appears that these buildings have been well maintained and kept in a good state of repair and the Surveyor does not anticipate that it will be necessary for the Society to incur any expenditure on rebuilding or that structural repairs will be of so extensive a character that they cannot be met out of current revenue.

2. The Committee also, at the instance of the Surveyor, took steps with a view to having a survey made of re-building the New Square properties to ascertain whether any re-building or extensive structural repairs were likely to be necessary in the future. The New Square Committee consulted their own surveyor. His opinion is that these buildings also have been well maintained and that they have a life of perhaps two hundred years, and he does not anticipate any very heavy expenditure on structural repairs. The Society's own Surveyor feels some doubt as to this, but is not able to speak with certainty as he has not made any actual survey. The New Square Committee, who have the control of these buildings under the New Square Act 1860 are of opinion that a special survey is unnecessary.

3. In these circumstances the Committee are unable to say that any contingency can be foreseen for which any specific sum should be set aside as a sinking fund. On the other hand, unforeseen contingencies may arise and the Society may well desire to acquire further interests in New Square or in adjoining real estate.

4. Prior to the restoration of the Old Hall the Society had a sum of about £5000 to the credit of surplus income. With the aid of this and a windfall of about £3000 received from the arrears of maintenance claims the deficit on the income account resulting from the expenditure on the Old Hall has now been wiped out without any recourse to the invested funds of the Society and there is a debit of only £38.

5. The Committee think that it would be desirable again to accumulate a surplus on income account, and with that object they recommend that an endeavour should be made to set aside out of the income of each year a sum of not less than £500 which should be placed to the credit of a special reserve fund which should be invested and the income accumulated. The Committee consider that it should be well within the power of the Society to set aside this sum without unduly curtailing any necessary or advantageous expenditure.

6. The Finance Committee at present are not supplied with estimates of receipts and expenditure for the year, and they are thus unable to form any general opinion as to the finances of the year as a whole. With a view to carrying out the recommendations referred to in the last preceding paragraph the Committee consider that the Finance Committee should in each year, before the end of the Hilary Law sittings, be supplied with estimates of receipts and expenditure approved by the Treasurer, and

that the Finance Committee should be supplied with revised estimates brought up to date whenever they so require. [pp. 94, 95]

Adopted the Report of the Finance Committee from which the following are taken

Upon considering the resignation of the Foreman of the Works, the Committee recommend to Council to give £250 a year pension from Ladyday next, and a gratuity of £400.

Upon considering a recommendation from the Building Committee, the Committee recommend to Council that the Surveyor (Mr. Cornford) be employed at the same salary (£500 per annum) for three years from the expiration of his agreement in May 1935.

The Committee recommend to Council that a previous order be so modified as to permit the use of the Society's ordinary table silver on occasions when the Inn does the catering for a dinner given in Hall by an outside body by permission of the Benchers.

In connection with the Foreman's resignation it was resolved that while accepting with regret the resignation of Mr. W.J. Clark, Foreman of the Works, the Masters of the Bench wish to place on record their appreciation of his very valuable and loyal services during a period of 54 years. The Treasurer was requested to forward a copy of this resolution to Mr. Clark with a personal covering letter. [pp. 96, 97]

Ordered that the Solicitor to the Inn be asked to advise as to the performance of the obligations imposed on the Inn by the New Square Act 1860.¹ [p. 97]

Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to convey the thanks of the Inn to Sir James Swinburne for his very valuable services in connection with the Chapel organ. [p. 97, 98]

"The Right Honourable Lord Russell of Killowen (Treasurer elect) moved that the Arms of the out-going Treasurer, Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C. be put up in Hall. Lord Russell in moving the resolution referred to the several Orders made by the Bench with regard to the putting up of Arms in Hall and pointed out that the Arms of Sir Felix Cassel could not be put up without a special Order of the Bench. Lord Russell said that on a recent occasion he had had the opportunity of expressing the gratitude of the Masters of the Bench to the Treasurer for the admirable manner in which he had discharged the duties of the Office. 'On that occasion' he added 'I sang the man—now I sing the Arms.' The resolution was carried unanimously and Ordered accordingly." [p. 98]

"Arthur Lehman Goodhart a Barrister of the Inner Temple was admitted ad eundem on the usual terms." [p. 98]

¹ There is no record that this advice was ever given, or, if given, its content.

Treasurer: Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. June 3 Evan Lewis Thomas, K.C.
2. June 24 Herbert Sansome Preston, K.C.
3. June 30 Lord Danesfort, K.C.
4. July 28 Alfred Adams
5. August 12 Lord Tomlin
6. October 27 Lord Wrenbury

Biographical notes

3. Danesfort. b.1853. Formerly Sir John George Butcher, Bt., M.P.
4. Adams. b.1864. Conveyancer and equity draftsman

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Norman Daynes, K.C.
2. C.E.R. Abbott
3. Lewis Noad
4. A.P. Vanneck
5. L.W. Byrne
6. John Bennett

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Council held on January 13th, 1936. [p. 99]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"The question being raised by a letter dated the 2nd January 1936 from the Law Society whether for the reasons contained in an enclosed letter dated the 31st December 1935 from the Government Parliamentary Counsel, all references to 'Certificated Conveyancers', 'Special Pleaders' and 'Draftsmen in Equity' should not be omitted from a Solicitors Bill now in course of preparation, the matter was Referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties Interests and Discipline of the Bar for consideration and report." [p. 99]

"Granted an application for the use of the Council Room for a dinner to be given by the Council of Law Reporting on 3rd February next." [p. 100]

January 21st, 1936 [p. 101]

By direction of the Treasurer and with the approval of the Keeper of the Black Book the following is entered dated as above.

Owing to the death of His Majesty King George, the Senior Bencher of this Honourable Society, the Grand Day dinner fixed for to-day was cancelled, and the Society's guests were all notified of that fact.

A letter signed by the Treasurer was despatched to Her Majesty the Queen in the following terms

The Masters of the Bench, and the Barristers, and Students of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn, respectfully tender to Your Majesty their profound sympathy on the death of their beloved Sovereign and Senior Benchers King George.

Council held on January 31st, 1936. [p. 103]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

The Treasurer reported on the steps he had taken on the announcement of the King's death. He reported further that with the approval of the Dean of the Chapel a Memorial Service to King George had been arranged and held in the Chapel on the day of the funeral, Tuesday, January 28th at 4.30 p.m. His Majesty King Edward VIII was informed of this and expressed his approval. He further reported the receipt of a telegram of sympathy from the Batonnier of the Bar of Paris and of his reply to it. [pp. 103-105]

The Treasurer read the following letter from Sheik Abdul Ghafur, a student of the Inn

"May I humbly suggest that as our late most gracious and most lamented King was senior Benchers of our Honourable Society for so many years that a full size statue of His late Majesty be erected by a most prominent sculptor shortly in some suitable place in our Inn."

It was decided that to erect a statue of King George in Lincoln's Inn was not fitting or desirable. [p. 105]

Read the Petition of W.E.A. Macauley dated 14th October 1935 from which the following extracts are taken

1. That I am a native of the Colony of Sierra Leone admitted as a student of your Honourable Inn on the 26th May 1920 and called to the Bar on the 26th January 1923. I was then 21 years of age.

2. That on the 18th February 1923 I was enrolled as a Barrister and Solicitor of the Supreme Court of Sierra Leone and practised as such until the 20th April 1927, when by an Order of the then Chief Justice of the said Colony—Sir G.K.T. Purcell (now deceased)—my name was removed from the Roll of Barristers and Solicitors of the said Supreme Court.

3. I appealed from such Order to His Majesty in Council but on the 18th May 1928 my appeal was dismissed without costs. The circumstances leading up to my name being removed from the Roll are so fully set forth in the judgment of their Lordships reported in 1928 Appeal Cases (pp. 344-351) that it appears unnecessary for me to further refer thereto in this Petition...

4. Following the dismissal of my appeal and in view of their Lordships observations ... a deputation headed by His Lordship the Bishop of Sierra Leone (Rt. Rev. G.W. Wright) waited upon Sir G.K.T. Purcell on the eve of his final retirement from the said Colony, with a view to

mitigating the said sentence. In consequence of that interview I was advised to submit a Motion supported by Certificates of Character from the Senior Barristers practising in the said Colony and in that connection was able to obtain such Certificates from the following gentlemen:— Mr. Justice William Butler-Lloyd, Messrs Abraham Spencer Hebron (Leader of the Bar) S.J.S. Barlatt, R.N. Hebron and T.J. Thompson—senior practising barristers in the said Colony.

5. On or about 15th July 1928, the date fixed for the hearing of the said Motion, the Chief Justice suggested to my Counsel ... that as he, the Chief Justice, was then about to leave for England, that the Motion should be brought on at a later date and said further that upon his arrival in England, he would, subject to no step being taken against me by your Honourable Society, consider the question of allowing my name to be restored to the Roll of Barristers and Solicitors of the said Colony.

6. Almost immediately after the arrival of the Chief Justice in England he fell ill and died without being able to carry out his promise.¹ Shortly afterwards and whilst in Sierra Leone, I was served with a notice signed by your Under Treasurer calling upon me to shew cause why I should not be disbarred from your Honourable Society; but I found it impossible for me to appear in person. Later an official communication was received by me intimating that my name had been ordered to be removed as and from the 18th December.

7. Under prevailing conditions in the West African Colonies it is practically impossible for a person expelled from a profession to secure employment as prospective employers are always suspicious. My position was however unique as I am the only one who had had the terrible misfortune of being disbarred as orders of this kind invariably follow a criminal charge and conviction and I was not so charged and convicted.

8. My plight became desperate and during the latter part of 1929 I left the Colony of Sierra Leone for Nigeria in an endeavour to find employment of such a character that would keep me in touch with the law in the hope of becoming reinstated at some future time. I was however confronted with the same difficulty but was ultimately successful in securing employment as Editor of "The Nigerian Daily Telegraph", a daily newspaper owned by "The Nigerian Press Limited"; but owing to the small remuneration attached to this appointment and the consequent privation I suffered, my health became impaired. In 1934 I was compelled to resign and submit myself to a long course of medical treatment. Since my recovery in June last I have been unable to obtain any employment of a substantial kind and the possibility of my doing so appears very remote.

9. In September last through the help of friends and relatives I found means to return to Freetown and while there some of my former friends of the Sierra Leone Bar advised me to forward a Petition to your Honourable

¹ Purcell died on March 25th, 1934 (WWW).

Society for a review of the circumstances of my case and that I might now be restored to my profession. All the members of the Bar have subscribed their names to a letter of recommendation, hereto attached . . . including the Hon. Claude Emile Wright who is the Barrister referred to in the proceedings against me. In addition annexed hereto is a testimonial as to my character, whilst I was in Nigeria, by the Hon. Theophilus Adebayo Doherty a member of the Lagos Bar [a member of the Legislative Council of Nigeria] and Chairman of the Nigerian Press Limited.

10. I have always felt, and shall during my whole existence feel, deep regret for my conduct which led to my disbarment and humbly plead my youth and inexperience at the time the incident occurred. I now most humbly plead for mercy and clemency and pray that I may be given another opportunity to practise my profession in my home Colony, in the West Coast of Africa. As a result of this misfortune my mother died in 1928 of a broken heart and my father whose life savings were devoted to my education is now poverty stricken and old. My brothers and sisters who were dependent upon me for their maintenance, education and support have received little or no education and their present condition is deplorable. My distracted wife has been braving the ordeal since 1927 and our four children are almost destitute. I solemnly promise that if another chance is given to me, I will comport myself in accordance with the traditions of the Bar.

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Ordered that the Petition be granted and that Mr. Macauley be reinstated a Barrister. . . . [pp. 107–113]

Adjourned Council held on March 3rd, 1936. [p. 114]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

“Read the Under Treasurer’s report of the death of Sir Arthur Colefax, K.B.E., K.C. The consideration of filling the consequent vacancy on the Bench was adjourned. The Treasurer reported that he had written to Lady Colefax to express the sympathy of the Masters of the Bench and that he had received an appreciative acknowledgment.” [p. 116]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee dated February 11th which included the following recommendations

Upon considering an application from the Bentham Committee for poor litigants for assistance referred to this Committee by Council, the Committee recommended “that 10 guineas be sent both to the Bentham Committee and the Society of Our Lady of Good Counsel, with an intimation that we hope to send a similar sum at Easter in each year, and that each be placed on our Easter list accordingly.”

Upon considering an application from Captain N.Y. Marriott, the Chief Clerk, to be allowed about three weeks leave of absence in March to go on a cruise; the Committee granted his application and allowed him twenty five guineas towards his expenses. [p. 116]

Adopted the appended report of a Special Chapel Sub Committee; and referred to the Chapel Committee the appointment of a new chaplain consequent upon the resignation of the Rev. Eric Abbott, as from the end of Trinity Term 1936, by reason of his acceptance of an appointment at Lincoln. [pp. 117, 121]

"Ordered that each standing committee with the exception of the Library, Chapel and Garden Committee be advised to appoint a Vice Chairman, as an aid to continuity of policy." [p. 121]

"Accepted with thanks an offer from the Rt. Hon. Henry Hobhouse to present to the Inn a portrait of his uncle the late Lord Hobhouse, Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn in 1881, by George Richmond, R.A." [p. 121]

MARRIAGES IN THE CHAPEL

The Committee (the Dean of the Chapel, the Preacher and Mr. Vaisey) appointed by the Chapel Committee to advise and prepare a draft answer to a communication dated December 8th, 1935 from the Registrar General concerning the registration of marriages in Lincoln's Inn Chapel reported as follows.

Before the passing of Lord Hardwicke's Act 26 Geo. II, ch. 33 (1753), marriages were frequently solemnised in the Chapel and were duly entered in the Registers of Marriages kept by the Society. In the second volume of the printed records of the Society (pp. 457-654) copies of those entries from 1695 to 1754 are printed. The entries are contained in 3 books: one for the years from 1695 to 1714; another from 1715 to 1721; and the third which is still in use, from 1722 to the present time. Lord Hardwicke's Act which made it illegal to solemnize marriages in the Chapel except by Special Licence of the Archbishop of Canterbury, came into force on the March 25th, 1754, and from that date down to 1910 no marriages were solemnized in the Chapel. In 1910 a daughter of Mr. Justice Eve was married in the Chapel by Special Licence and since then six other marriages by Special Licence have been solemnised there. All these marriages have been duly entered in the Society's Marriage Register, and copies of those entries were accepted by the Registrar General at Somerset House as if they were copies of entries in the marriage register of a chapel duly licensed for the solemnization of marriages. Mr. Vivian, the present Registrar General, has now raised the point that, since the Chapel is a private chapel and is not licensed for the solemnization of marriages, he has no authority to receive copies of the entries in the Society's register and the Committee are of opinion that the objection raised by the Registrar General to the practice, which has hitherto prevailed, is well founded and that he has no authority to receive copies of the entries in the Society's Register. So far as the seven marriages, which have been solemnized in the Chapel since 1910, are concerned, no difficulty will arise, because those marriages are in fact entered in the General Register at Somerset House and if any person should hereafter apply at Somerset House for a certified copy, the Registrar General will refer the applicant to the Society and under the provisions of section 14 of the Law of Evidence Amendment Act 1851 the Society can issue a certified

copy which will have validity for all purposes as a certified copy issued by the Registrar General of a marriage properly entered in the General Register. But so far as marriages which may hereafter be solemnized in the Chapel are concerned, since the Registrar General will not in future accept copies of the entries in the Society's Marriage Register, it is necessary that some arrangement should be made whereby those marriages will be registered at Somerset House.

The Society could apply to the Bishop of London to licence the Chapel for the solemnization of marriages pursuant to section 9 of the Extra-parochial Places Act 1857 (20 Vict., ch. 19) and if that were done the Registrar General would then be able to accept copies of the entries in the Society's Marriage Register. Your committee do not however recommend the adoption of that course. There is an alternative procedure which they consider preferable.

By section 12 of the Marriage Act 1823 it is provided that all extra-parochial places whatever, having no public chapel wherein Banns may be lawfully published shall be deemed and taken to belong to any parish next adjoining for the purpose of that Act only, and we accordingly recommend that in future marriages solemnized in our chapel should be entered in the marriage register of one of the parishes which adjoin Lincoln's Inn.

The Society has always claimed that Lincoln's Inn is extra-parochial. In former times the Officers of the adjoining parishes were not permitted to enter the Inn for the purpose of beating the parish bounds; and the Benchers accepted the responsibility for the relief of the poor and for the maintenance and education of foundlings abandoned secretly within the Inn.

The north-east part of Lincoln's Inn comprising Old Square, the Old Hall, the Chapel, Old Buildings, 12 & 13 New Square, Stone Buildings and No. 76A Chancery Lane, lies "within the ambit of the parish of St. Andrews Holborn, though being extra-parochial it is not "part and parcel" of the parish. In 1823 the parish officers of St. Andrews Holborn disputed the claim that the Inn was extra parochial. They levied a poor rate on Mr. Cook who occupied a set of chambers in Stone Buildings and subsequently distrained his goods for non-payment of the rate. Thereupon Mr. Cook brought an action of replevin in the Court of King's Bench. The action was tried three times, in 1824, 1826, and 1827; on each occasion the jury returned a verdict in favour of the parish, but for one reason or another each verdict was set aside.

After the third trial, in order to prevent further litigation and expense, an agreement was made between the Benchers and the parish of St. Andrews Holborn, whereby it was provided that in consideration of a payment of £1000 a year by the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn to the Directors of the Poor of St. Andrews Holborn the part of Lincoln's Inn which was admittedly within the ambit of the parish should be extra-parochial, the Benchers continuing to relieve the poor in that part of the Inn. This agreement was duly carried into effect by a private Act of Parliament 10 Geo. IV, ch. xxxii. When the new Hall and Library were erected in 1843 a similar arrangement was made by the Benchers with the parish of St. Giles-in-the-Fields (the new buildings as well as No. 11A and part of No. 11 New Square being "within the ambit" of

that parish) and that agreement was carried into effect by another private Act, 10 & 11 Vict. ch. ccxi.

Both these private Acts were repealed by the Holborn (Lincoln's Inn Scheme) Order 1901 made under the provisions of the London Government Act 1899 but nevertheless the original claim that Lincoln's Inn is with regard to all ecclesiastical matters extra-parochial remains of full force and effect.

There are in fact no less than four parishes which adjoin Lincoln's Inn, viz. St. Andrews Holborn, St. Giles-in-the-Fields, St. Clements Danes, and St. Dunstons in the West. The Committee recommend that since the Chapel is actually situate "within the ambit" of the parish of St. Andrews Holborn, all marriages which may hereafter be solemnized in the Chapel should be entered in the Marriage Register of that parish. They will of course also be entered in the Society's Marriage Register as heretofore.

Copies of all entries in the Marriage Register of St. Andrews Holborn are forwarded quarterly to the Registrar General and are entered by him in the General Register at Somerset House; and the Registrar will issue certified copies of the entries contained in the Marriage Register of St. Andrews Holborn, relating to the marriages solemnized by Special Licence in Lincoln's Inn Chapel as and when they may be required. [pp. 117-121]

Council held on April 21st, 1936. [p. 122]

Forty-three Benchers present.

"Adopted the following Report of the Special Committee re marriages in the Chapel.

"On behalf of the Committee the Dean of the Chapel reported that the Rector of St. Andrews Holborn had readily consented to the proposal that marriages solemnized by special licence in the Chapel should be registered in the marriage register of his parish, being a parish adjoining the extra parochial place of Lincoln's Inn within the meaning of the Marriage Act 1823; and had been good enough to give all facilities for that purpose; and that a marriage solemnized in the Chapel on Easter Tuesday had accordingly been registered in the marriage register of St. Andrews Holborn and that all further marriages in the Chapel would be registered in those registers.

"He also reported that the Committee hoped to be able to submit to the Council at their next meeting the name of a candidate to fill the vacancy in the office of Chaplain created by his resignation." [p. 123]

After consideration of a proposal by Lord Maugham "that until otherwise decided by the Bench, vacancies be filled only in case of each alternate vacancy" it was resolved to postpone decision for further information as to the variation in recent years in the number of Lincoln's Inn practising barristers. The Under Treasurer was requested to provide figures, to be circulated with the agenda of the next meeting, showing over a number of years, the number of those of British origin, called in each year by Lincoln's Inn, and so far as possible the number of those who became practising barristers. [pp. 123, 124]

"Refused an application by Mrs. Anthony Eden for a donation to the funds of the Industrial Welfare Society." [p. 124]

Council held on May 18th, 1936. [p. 126]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Upon consideration of the vacancy on the Bench consequent upon the death of Sir Arthur Colefax, K.B.E., K.C., and of Lord Maugham's motion Ordered that the present vacancy on the Bench be filled, but that the vacancy next ensuing be not filled, and that thereafter every fourth vacancy be not filled until the number of Benchers, exclusive of Honorary Benchers, be reduced to sixtyfive, or until the Council otherwise order. [p. 127]

Ordered that the Rev. Randolph Vincent Greenwood Tasker, M.A., Professor Elect of New Testament Exegesis at Kings College, London, be appointed Chaplain to the Society in succession to the Rev. Eric Abbott. [p. 128]

"Accepted with thanks the presentation by the Organisers of the Gainsborough Exhibition of a block of the portrait of Sir John Skynner made for their illustrated catalogue." [p. 128]

"An application by Messrs Morrison & Lloyd of Hackensack N.J. for permission to have a colored photograph taken of the St. Thomas More miniature for reproduction was refused, but they were to be informed that the Masters of the Bench would consider a similar application if made by the American Bar Association." [p. 128]

Council held on June 9th, 1936. [p. 129]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Granted an application from the Hon. Denys B. Buckley for leave to use the Chapel for the christening of his daughter. [p. 129]

"Granted a request by the Treasurer for permission to exhibit the miniature of St. Thomas More at the reception of the St. Thomas More Society in the Old Hall on 16th June." [p. 130]

Resolved that a contribution be made to the King George V Memorial Fund, the amount being referred to the Finance Committee for consideration and report. [p. 130]

"Read an invitation from Mr. and Mrs. Linton Thorp to the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench to the marriage of their daughter on 21st July next at the Chapel of the Savoy and afterwards at the Old Hall, Lincoln's Inn. Ordered that the invitation be gratefully acknowledged." [p. 130]

"Adopted the recommendation of the Council of Legal Education that members of the Bar not exceeding five in number at a salary not exceeding £300 a year be appointed to supervise classes of Students in elementary training for practical professional work. The consequential alteration of Rules is thereby approved.

Council held on June 29th, 1936. [p. 132]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 116, 124, 127, 129, 133]

Linton Theodore Thorp, Esq., K.C.

“Ordered that the following Report on Mores Passage by the Treasurer be entered in the Black Book:

“In 1888 George Matthews Arnold, a brother of Sir Edwin Arnold (the poet) and of Sir Arthur Arnold (who was Chairman of the London County Council) being the owner of 7 New Square and Nos. 51 & 52 Carey Street, made a passageway through the properties from New Square into Carey Street; and by an Indenture dated the 14th November 1888 he granted to Lincoln’s Inn a right of way through the passage. At about the same time, or perhaps a little later, he built the existing coffee shop, employing George Sherrin as Architect who designed the existing building with the statue of Sir Thomas More. A picture of the statue was published in the British Architect of the 13th September 1889. The passage was then called Mores Passage.” [p. 134]

Adopted the following Report of the Finance Committee

Upon considering the amount of the contribution to the King George V Memorial Fund, the Committee recommend that the sum of £105 be contributed to the Fund.

The Committee approved the recommendation of the Kitchen Committee that the wages of J. Howard, a kitchen porter, be raised 3/- per week and the Bench and Hall luncheon waiters (Micklejohn, Lewis, Bunn, Hart, Christian and Gautrey) receive an extra 1/- per day. [pp. 134, 135]

Read the following Report of the Library Committee

1. The Committee recommend the Council to adopt the following rule: that the Librarian be ordered not to allow out of the Library any text book in ordinary daily use without the express direction of the Master of the Library, to whose determination the Librarian shall refer any case of doubt as to the application of this rule.

2. Upon consideration of an application from Mr. Idris Bell, Keeper of the Manuscripts, British Museum for the deposit of Hale Manuscript 87 (Chartulary of Battle Abbey) at the British Museum for a short period the Committee recommend the Council to authorise the Master of the Library to deposit the manuscript as asked with the Keeper of Manuscripts at the British Museum.

Ordered that No. 1 be adopted and that No. 2 be referred back to the Library Committee to consider the matter in the light of Sir Matthew Hale’s Will. [pp. 135, 136]

Read the following communication from Mr. J. Clift, the First Butler

After completing 29 years service to the Hon. Society I am asking the Hon. Benchers to accept my resignation as First Butler. Having passed my 73rd year, I feel I cannot carry on as before, and my wife’s continued indifferent

health makes me feel I ought to be with her more now, having lost my youngest son so recently.

Ordered that his resignation be accepted as from the September 29th and that the question of pension be referred to the Finance Committee and that of his successor to the Kitchen Committee. [p. 136]

"With reference to the visit of The Quinquennial Anglo-American Conference to the Inn on 8th July next, the Treasurer, Sir Thomas Hughes K.C. and the Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart. K.C. expressed their intention to be present, and the Under Treasurer was requested to ascertain what other Benchers with their ladies would attend." [p. 136]

Adjourned Council held on July 23rd, 1936. [p. 138]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Adopted the Report of the Finance Committee which included the following.

Upon considering the report of Mr. Vaughan Williams on the furniture required at the Students Common Room the Committee authorise Mr. Vaughan Williams to expend £120 in reconditioning the floor of Students Common Room; in reconditioning sofas and chairs and buying new tables and in substituting flat grates for the two existing ones. Further authorise installation of automatic telephone box. [p. 139]

Adopted the recommendation of the Kitchen Committee that Mr. George Fisher, the second Butler, be appointed Chief Butler at a salary of £200 p.a. [p. 139]

Adopted the following Report of the Picture Committee

"Upon considering the question of stained glass windows for the Old Hall, the Committee recommend that the Council should approve the design of Mr. Hendrie for the stained glass windows in the Old Hall which the generosity of Lord Blanesburgh has offered to provide; the design to be altered by the substitution for the figure of Strafford and his arms, of the figure of St. Richard of Chichester and the arms of the See of Chichester the new design in that respect to be approved by the Vice Chairman of the Picture Committee." [p. 140]

Adopted the following Report of the Library Committee

Upon further consideration of the question of the loan of Hale Manuscript 87 to the British Museum, the Committee report that on carefully reconsidering the matter in the light of Sir Matthew Hale's Will, they recommend the Council to authorise the Master of the Library to comply with the request of the Keeper of Manuscripts at the British Museum. [p. 140]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1936. [p. 141]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Private Secretary to H.M. the King to Lord Blanesburgh, dated July 26th, 1936

"Thank you for your letter of 26th July regarding the proposed use of the Arms of King Charles II and of King George V in the new windows of Lincoln's Inn Hall. The King gladly agrees to this suggestion." [pp. 141, 142]

Read the following communication from the College of Advocates of Burgos dated September 4th, 1936 addressed to "the Master of Lincoln's Inn, London."

"The College of Advocates of Burgos, Spain on learning the manner in which the Master of the illustrious College of Advocates of Madrid and one of the greatest of Spanish lawyers, His Excellency Don Melquiades Alvarez has been put to death in the model prison in a fashion that indicates that he was executed without the intervention of any lawfully constituted court of law in violence of all elementary principles of justice, firmly protests against such an assassination before the civilised world and on bringing it to the notice of Lincoln's Inn through The Master sincerely hopes that a motion will be submitted to and pushed by its Members whereby an enquiry be opened conducive to the elucidation of this execrable crime and the circumstances that led to its perpetration."

Ordered that the following Resolution with a covering letter signed by the Treasurer be sent to The Master of the College of Advocates, Burgos, Spain

"The Masters of the Bench deeply deplore the tragic death of His Excellency Don Melquiades Alvarez but regret that they are unable to promote any enquiry which could effectively elucidate the circumstances of the case." [p. 142]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Percy Melmoth Walters Esq. (Mem: this vacancy not to be filled in accordance with the Order of Council of 18th May 1936)" [p. 143]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Sir Percival Clarke. Ordered that the consequent vacancy be filled by the invitation of a member of the outer Bar." [p. 143]

The Treasurer proposed that an afternoon party should be given in the Inn, on some date in December, on the lines of the party given when Lord Justice Romer was Treasurer. The proposal received general approval and a committee was appointed to make arrangements for the occasion. [p. 143]

Council held on November 2nd, 1936. [p. 144]

Thirty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Evelyn Riviere, O.B.E. [pp. 143, 145]

Officers for 1937: [p. 146]

Treasurer: Hon. Mr. Justice Clauson, C.B.E.

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Macnaghten, K.B.E.

Dean of the Chapel: Francis Henry Launcelot Errington, C.B.

Keeper of the Black Book: Theobald Mathew
 Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr. Justice Swift

"Adopted the Report of the Chapel Committee recommending that a Service shall be held in the Chapel on the November 29th, it being Advent Sunday." [p. 146]

"Adopted the Report of the Kitchen Committee recommending that Mr. Albert Hart be appointed 2nd Butler at a salary of £160 p.a." [p. 146]

Council held on November 25th, 1936. [p. 148]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Adopted the Report of the Picture Committee recommending the acceptance by this Honourable Society of the portrait of St. Thomas More offered to the Society by the Treasurer and also recommending the acceptance of the portrait of the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Russell of Killowen, by Sargent, also offered by the Treasurer. The first of these pictures according to Mr. Hake of the National Portrait Gallery is a sixteenth century copy of the Holbein portrait of More now in the Frick Collection in New York, and was much commended by Mr. Hake as a rare copy. The second of the pictures is considered by experts to be one of the finest of Sargent's male portraits. The Committee thinks it proper to suggest to the Honourable Society that since this gift, if accepted, will as they believe deprive the Treasurer of any painting of his late father it would be a graceful act if the Society in accepting this gift were to offer to the generous donor the picture of Lord Russell of Killowen that now hangs in the Council Room." [p. 149]

Read the following communication from the Marquis del Mordl dated November 24th, 1936

Senor R. de Abadal, who was formerly doyen of the Members of the Bar in Barcelona, has written from Florence requesting me to ask the editors of important papers if they would publish the enclosed statement and to send it to you on behalf of himself and other important members of the Bar, with reference to statements recently issued by the Spanish Embassy in London purporting to come from the Governing Body of the College of Lawyers in Madrid.

The statement dated November 6th, 1936 reads as follows

The International Press has published the news that some persons who claim to be the representatives of the Members of the Bar of Madrid, Barcelona and other cities occupied and governed by the Red Militias, intend travelling through Europe so as to defend before the professional unions of advocates of different countries, the situation and the political views of the governments that reside in Madrid, Barcelona and Hilbac.

The undersigned who was elected doyen of the Barristers of Barcelona for four times consecutively from 1924 to 1934 and now is residing outside Spain and is consequently free from any coercion from either of the two parties now at strife can be considered as having the right to address you

and to make the following statements that represent the viewpoint of the vast majority of Spanish lawyers.

Those persons who attribute to themselves the representation of the Spanish members of the Bar, have not been nominated by their professional brethren, but by the governments of Madrid, and of Barcelona, they may therefore, lay claim to represent their governments, but they cannot be considered as being the representatives of the legal profession in Spain. If they were the representatives of such governments, they could not honourably represent a government that has tolerated the murder in prison in Madrid of the doyen of the Madrid Barristers, D. Melquiades Alvarez, and that has allowed more than forty lawyers to be murdered in Barcelona and that has permitted the anarchist hordes to invade the Palace of Justice in Barcelona and to instal as a judicial regime the uncontrolled arbitrariness of politics and class hatred.

The integrity and the dignity of the members of the legal profession are incompatible with the explicit or the tacit approval of the above facts which are notorious without the necessity of my drawing your attention to them, and they should be sufficient to put to evidence those persons that illegally attribute to themselves the representation of the College of Spanish Barristers and that they cannot express in consequence the sentiments of those who believe that their profession obliges them to revere, first and foremost, the principles or right of justice and of human respect.

Ordered that the communication be acknowledged. [pp. 150-152]

Adjourned Council held on December 15th, 1936. [p. 153]

Forty Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Preacher

I write to you as Dean of the Chapel to say that, owing to my appointment at St. Margaret's I am afraid my tenure of the Preachership at Lincoln's Inn must come to an end. Some of the Benchers have most kindly suggested that I should combine both offices, not coming so frequently to the Inn, but I am sure that it would be unwise to attempt to ride two horses at the same time. My work at St. Margaret's will involve my pretty constant attendance there. On the other hand, I want to make it as easy as possible to Lincoln's Inn to find a successor to myself. Hence, I am prepared to go on as Preacher to Easter 1937 or, if you are still in a difficulty, until the end of July. I would rather be free at Easter because, with the arrival of the Coronation visitors, there is likely to be a big opportunity at St. Margaret's. I am arranging with the Chaplain to do what preaching I can at the Inn between now and Easter.

I need hardly say that I write this letter with real grief and regret. No man could have had happier times than I have had as Preacher. I have received unflinching kindness from you all and I shall always treasure the memory of my Preachership as one of the most precious things in my life. I should like

to take this opportunity of thanking the Benchers for their very great kindness to me.

If I can be of any assistance in suggesting possible names for a successor you may rely on my being ready to do all I can to help you.

Ordered that the Preacher's resignation be accepted with much regret and thanks for his services and that an invitation be given to him to dine at the Bench Table and to use the Library of the Society at his pleasure. [*pp.* 153, 154]

"Adopted the Report of the Chapel Committee that upon considering accidental damage to the organ the Committee recommend the acceptance of the tender of Messrs. Hill & Sons and Norman Beard Ltd. of £142.10. for repair of the organ. They also recommend that the expansion pipe be carried outside the roof unless Messrs. Jeffries see any objection to that proposal and in that case request them to suggest some alternative which will prevent the re-occurrence of such an accident." [*pp.* 154, 155]

Adopted the Report of the Finance Committee that upon considering the Under Treasurer's report of an accident to the chapel boiler the Committee approved the expenditure of £142.10. for the repairs of the organ. Upon considering a communication from the Organist the Committee recommend to Council to accept his offer of retirement and that a pension of £75 p.a. be granted to him. [*p.* 155]

"The Hon. Mr. Justice Bennett called attention to the fact that during lunch time on 2nd December the overcoat of one Master of the Bench and the umbrella of another were, apparently, stolen from the vestibule and moved that steps be taken to safeguard the property of Members of the Society whilst lunching in Hall. This matter was referred to the General Purposes Committee." [*p.* 155]

Treasurer: Lord Russell of Killowen

The following Benchers died during the year

1. February 19 Sir Arthur Colefax, K.C.
2. October 3 Percy Melmoth Walters
3. October 5 Sir Percival Clarke.

Biographical notes

1. Colefax. b.1866. Specialist on Patent and Trade Mark Law. Serves on Government Committees. Chancellor of the County Palatine of Durham from 1930. Wife, Sibyl, a well-known Society hostess in the inter-war period.
2. Walters. b.1863. Conveyancing Counsel of the Court.
3. Clarke. b.1872. Chairman, County of London Sessions from 1932.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Linton Thorp, K.C.
 2. Not replaced
 3. Evelyn Riviere, O.B.E.
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1937

Council held on January 11th, 1937. [p. 157]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Referred to the Picture Committee an offer to sell to the Society a portrait of Sir Alexander Thomson by Opie."¹ [p. 157]

"Refused an application from Mr. J. Curzon Mander for permission for his daughter to be married in the Chapel.

"Ordered that the use of the Chapel and the Old Hall or either of them, for weddings, be a privilege granted only to Members of the Society and sons and daughters of Members." [p. 158]

Referred to a committee consisting of the Treasurer and four other Benchers to make arrangements for a Garden Party this year and to fix the date. [p. 158]

"The use of the Old Hall by the Borough of Holborn for a polling station for the London County Council Election on 4th March next was granted on the usual terms." [p. 158]

Council held on February 1st, 1937. [p. 160]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

"Adopted the Report dated 15th January 1937 of the Special Joint Committee of the four Inns of Court appointed to assist the Colonial Office in the selection of candidates for Colonial Legal Appointments." [p. 160]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bart., K.C. [p. 160]

"An offer from Sir John Pollock to present to the Inn a portrait of his father, Sir Frederick Pollock painted by R.G. Eves, R.A., was unanimously and gratefully accepted." [p. 161]

The Treasurer reported that the following letter had been received from the Equerry to H.R.H. the Duke of Kent

"I have now been able to speak to the Duke of Kent about the garden party which is being given by the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn on Thursday 24th June. His Royal Highness desires me to say that both he and the Duchess of Kent would be very pleased to accept the kind invitation of the Treasurer and Masters to be present on this occasion." [p. 161]

Adjourned Council held on March 7th, 1937. [p. 163]

Thirty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 160, 165]

Wilfred Gordon Brown, O.B.E.

¹ It transpired that in 1867 the Society had acquired a portrait of Thomson by Opie, so this offer was evidently declined. See 5BB.lxxxiii; 144.

"Granted an application from Frick Art Reference Library, for permission to photograph the miniature of St. Thomas More. [p. 166]

Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee which recommended

That the Treasurer be authorized to invite the Rev. Dr. J.K. Mozley to become Preacher of the Society as from 29th September 1937 upon the vacation on that date of the Office by the present Preacher and that subject to his acceptance of the Office, he be elected accordingly, to hold the office at the pleasure of the Benchers for a period not to exceed (save as otherwise ordered by the Bench) five years.

That Mr. C.H. Trevor, Professor of Organ at the Royal Academy of Music be appointed Organist and Choirmaster as from the 24th June. [p. 166]

Council held on April 6th, 1937. [p. 167]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Arms of the Hon. Mr. Justice Simonds be placed in the Hall." [p. 168]

"Refused an application from H.M. Land Registry Horticultural Society to be allowed the use of the Old Hall for a private Flower Show early in July." [p. 168]

"The Treasurer reported an offer by Mr. W.H. Quarrell to present to the Inn, of which he was formerly a member, a set of illustrations of 'Portraits of the Worthies of Westminster Hall with their autographs' specially bound for the purpose in book form. The offer was gratefully accepted." [p. 168]

"Granted an application from the Chancery Bar Association for the use of the Hall on 6th July next for a dinner to the Rt. Hon. Sir Harry T. Eve." [p. 168]

Council held on May 3rd, 1937 [p. 170]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 168, 171]

Alan Chancellor Nesbitt.

Council held on May 25th, 1937. [p. 173]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"On the Motion of the Treasurer the Right Honourable Neville Chamberlain, M.P. was elected an Honorary Benchers with precedence immediately after the Right Honourable Lord Russell of Killowen and the Treasurer having intimated that Mr. Chamberlain would accept the invitation It was Ordered that he be published in Hall 'in absentia'." [p. 174]

"Approved the action of the Treasurer in granting one week's wages up to a maximum of £5 to members of the permanent staff (with the exception of the officials in the Under Treasurer's office) at a cost of £193.0.6 in honour of the Coronation of Their Majesties the King and Queen." [p. 174]

Council held on June 14th, 1937. [p. 177]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Arms of the Right Honourable Neville Chamberlain M.P. the Prime Minister be put up in the Hall." [p. 177]

Adjourned Council held on July 21st, 1937. [p. 178]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Accepted with thanks the following presentations:

1. By the Rt. Hon. R.P. Bennett, K.C., a silver hand made tea and coffee service to commemorate the Coronation of King George VI.
2. By the Rev. W. Fairlie Clarke, a portrait of the late Charles Clarke, Baron of the Exchequer.¹
3. By Linton Thorp, K.C., a snuff box formerly the property of Serjeant Ballantyne. [p. 179]

"Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee dated the 12th July 1937

"Upon considering improvements to the Chapel Altar the Committee recommend to Council to authorise raising of the Altar Table in accordance with Sir Giles Scott's sketch, the work to be done by our own staff under direction of Mr. Cornford and supervision of Sir Giles Scott; also to authorise this committee to search with Sir Giles Scott's assistance for a Jacobean table to replace present table; and to authorise the Committee to arrange for two figures to be made in accordance with Sir Giles Scott's sketch by such artist as Sir Giles Scott shall advise." [pp. 179, 180]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee recommending pensions following the resignations of Mrs. Briggs, the Housekeeper and Mr. J.W. Winter, the Usher of the Hall. [p. 180]

"The Treasurer reported to the Masters of the Bench that the Under Treasurer desired leave to resign his Office early in the year 1938, in view of his age and the state of his health, and it was thereupon Resolved that the Council accept with regret the resignation of his office by the Under Treasurer, such resignation to have effect from such date between January and Easter 1938 as the Treasurer for the time being shall determine and takes this opportunity of expressing its grateful recognition of Sir Reginald's services to the Inn during the period of nearly 17 years during which he has held the Office.

"The Finance Committee unanimously recommend to the Council that Sir Reginald be paid, as from his vacation of the office of Under Treasurer, a pension, at the pleasure of the Bench, at the rate of £700 per annum, when it was Resolved that such pension be paid to him accordingly.

"The Treasurer reported that Sir Reginald Rowe desired to remain for the present as tenant of the Chambers now occupied by him in the Inn, when it was Resolved to authorise the Building Committee to let the Chambers to Sir

¹ Died 1750. See entry in DNB.

Reginald as from the date of his vacation of office on the same terms and at the same rent as in the case of the preceding tenant." [pp. 180, 181]

"Received a verbal report from Sir Gerald Hurst, K.C. of his recent visit to a Belgian Congress as the representative of Lincoln's Inn and the General Council of the Bar." [p. 181]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1937. [p. 132]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported that owing to the difficulty of filling satisfactorily the places of certain choir boys whose voices were no longer fit for use, he and the Dean of the Chapel had agreed with a suggestion of the new Organist and Choir-Master, Mr. Trevor, that as a temporary expedient, the choir should be limited to men only for the four services in November. This was approved and it was Ordered that the problem of the Choir be referred to the Chapel Committee." [p. 182]

"Referred to the Finance Committee an offer to sell to the Inn chambers on the Ground Floor and Basement N of No. 3 New Square." [p. 183]

"Accepted with thanks a bequest by Dame Alice Emma de Gex decd. of a marble bust of the late Sir John de Gex, Q.C., Treasurer in 1883. Ordered that a letter of appreciation be written." [p. 183]

"Ordered that it be referred to the Building and Finance Committees sitting together to consider and report to the Council as to the steps to be taken owing to the vacancy that will be caused by the resignation of the Under Treasurer." [p. 183]

Council held on November 2nd, 1937. [p. 184]

Forty-four Benchers present.

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mr. Justice Rigby Swift, the Master of the Walks. Ordered that Sir Arthur Underhill be appointed Master of the Walks for the remainder of the year ending 10th January 1938. [pp. 164, 185]

Officers for 1938: [p. 185]

Treasurer: Hon. Sir Malcolm Martin Macnaghten, K.B.E.

Master of the Library: Theobald Mathew

Dean of the Chapel: Francis Henry Launcelot Errington C.B.

Keeper of the Black Book: Sir Arthur Underhill

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Maugham

The above not to affect the seniority in office of Mr. Errington.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

The Committee approved that Leggatt, the Upper Vestibule Porter, be appointed on probation for a month as Usher of the Hall at a wage of £3 per week; that Briggs, the Lavatory Attendant, be appointed the Upper Vestibule Porter, without obligation to carry for Benchers luncheons, at a

wage of £2.10 per week; that Ancil, the Lower Vestibule Porter, be paid £2.10 per week, and that a new man (possibly under physical disability) be obtained as Barristers Lavatory Attendant. The Committee also confirmed the appointment of Mrs. Sturman as Head Laundress at a wage of £2 per week. [p. 186]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

"Upon considering the future arrangements for the Choir the Committee authorised the Organist to arrange for four lady sopranos for the services from January to Easter 1938 as an experiment. If possible an arrangement to be made to supply them with suitable caps and gowns to be approved by the Preacher." [p. 186]

"Authority was given to the Treasurer to enter into contract with the freeholders of the Ground Floor and Basement N No. 3 New Square at a price representing eighteen years purchase of the present rents i.e. £4860." [p. 186]

Council held on November 25th, 1937. [p. 189]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Herbert David Samuels, K.C. [pp. 184, 193]

Ronald Francis Roxburgh, K.C. [pp. 185, 193]

"Read the following report of the Finance Committee and the Buildings Committee (sitting together) as to the steps to be taken owing to the vacancy that will be caused by the resignation of the Under Treasurer:

1. The salary of the present Under Treasurer and Steward is £1000 per annum, with the occupation of a residential set of Chambers free of rent, rates and taxes. His salary on appointment was £600 per annum, raised after a year to £700 per annum, and raised subsequently from £700 to £1000.
2. The salary of the present Chief Clerk is £700 per annum, raised in the year 1935 from £600 which had been the highest salary attainable by the Chief Clerk.
3. The Committee think it desirable that the practice hitherto subsisting of inviting the Under Treasurer and Steward to dinner on Grand Day should continue; but are not prepared to recommend that the practice instituted on the appointment of the present Under Treasurer of allotting him a place at the Bar table, and giving him the right to lunch with the Bar, should be continued.
4. The Committee think it desirable that it should continue to be part of the duties of the Under Treasurer and Steward to attend all committees, but they recommend that while he should be available whenever a Council is sitting, he should not be present at Council meetings unless his presence is specifically required by the Treasurer.

5. The Committee recommend that the practice of reading at each Council meeting the rough minutes of the previous meeting should be discontinued; but that the ancient practice be continued of placing upon [the Keeper of the] Black Book the responsibility of approving the draft of the entries in the Black Book before they are actually made; and that the practice be instituted of placing the Black Book entered up to date on the Council Table for inspection.

6. The Committee recommend that it be a condition of the appointment of an Under Treasurer and Steward that the whole of his time be at the disposal of the Society, and that he should not accept any outside office or work without the express consent of the Council.

7. The Committee recommend that the tenure of the Under Treasurer and Steward should be at the pleasure of the Benchers, and that he should in any event vacate office on attaining the age of 72.

8. The Committee recommend that the new Under Treasurer and Steward be appointed as from the vacation of office by Sir Reginald Rowe at a salary of £850 and that he be required to reside in the Inn, and that he be allowed the use free of rent, rates and taxes of residential accommodation selected by the Building Committee.

9. The Committee are of opinion that before steps are taken to advertise the vacancy it would be desirable that the Council should authorize the Treasurer to ascertain whether the present Chief Clerk is desirous of offering himself as a candidate for the post on the terms and conditions set out in this report.

10. Should the present Chief Clerk (who will become 72 in December 1943) be so desirous the Committee would recommend the Council to appoint him to the office of Under Treasurer and Steward.

Ordered on the Motion of the Treasurer

1. That the report be adopted

2. That the Chief Clerk to the Society (Mr. N.Y. Marriott) be appointed Under Treasurer and Steward of the Society as from the vacation of office by Sir Reginald Rowe on the terms and conditions set out in the report. [pp. 189-192]

Accepted with thanks a gift of claret from the Master of the Rolls.¹ [p. 194]

"Accepted with thanks from Herbert Warren Esq. a miniature of Sir Fitzroy Kelly painted on ivory by Mrs. Elizabeth Walker." [p. 194]

"Refused an application from the Daily Sketch and Sunday Graphic Ltd. to be allowed to take photographs in Hall on the Call Night." [p. 194]

"Adopted the recommendation of the Garden Committee that it be Ordered that no tree be cut down in the Inn without an Order of Council.

¹ Rt. Hon. Sir Wilfrid Greene, appointed M.R. on April 27, 1937. See *ante*, pp. 313, 314, 353.

Adjourned the recommendation of the Garden Committee that the two outer trees of the three trees standing between the Old Hall and Chancery Lane be taken out, but that the centre tree be left untouched, for further consideration of the Council." [p. 194]

Adopted the following report of the Building Chambers and General Purposes Committee

"The Committee recommend to Council, subject to the approval of the Finance Committee, that authority be given for the necessary alterations to be made to the former Stewards Lodgings in order to adapt them for use as a residence for the Under Treasurer and Steward at an estimated expense of about £300." [p. 194]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

The Committee recommend the following promotions and increases as from the date of vacation of office by Sir Reginald Rowe

1. Mr. H.C.H. Fairchild to be Chief Clerk ...
2. Mr. F.C. Coales to be Second Clerk ...
3. A Third Clerk to be engaged ...

The Committee approved the recommendation from the Building Committee concerning the alterations to the former steward's lodgings.

The Committee recommend that the salary of the Chief Butler, Mr. G. Fisher be increased ... that a gratuity of £25 be given to him to cover expenses of removal and return and that he gives up his rooms 14 days before the quarter. [pp. 195, 196]

Adjourned Council held on December 16th, 1937. [p. 197]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"Accepted with thanks the presentation to the Inn by the widow of Sir Percival Clarke, of the silver salver presented to him by the Mayor, Sheriffs, Magistrates and Court Officials of the City of Exeter." [p. 198]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following:

"Read the report of the Under Treasurer that Sir Alfred Dryden has withdrawn his offer to sell to the Society his chambers at No. 3 New Square.

"The revised estimate of the Surveyor of £355 for the alterations in the Under Treasurer's residence was approved. It was left to the Treasurer for the time being and Mr. Cornford to decide as to the exact material (parquetry, wood block, or oak boards) to be used in the principal sitting room.

"Authority was given to the Kitchen Committee to expend up to £50 in replacing the ironing machine with if possible a machine with a chromium shoe.

"The Treasurer reported that he had authorised the engagement of Mr. L.W. Pilkington as Third Clerk as from 27th December at a weekly salary of £3.10 when it was resolved that the Treasurer's action be approved." [pp. 198, 199]

"Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee dated 16th December 1937 recommending that three Lady Choristers be engaged at £1.7.6. per service each and one at £1.15 per service and that caps, gowns and collars be purchased for them." [p. 200]

Adopted the report of the Picture Committee which included the following:

"Recommend that the portrait of Sir Robert Eyre offered to the Inn for £35 be purchased."

"Recommend Council to authorise purchase at £120 of a table to take the place of the existing altar table in the Chapel."

"Resolved to obtain an estimate for repainting the shields etc. on the Chancery Lane and Carey Street gateways. Sir Giles Scott to be asked to suggest someone from whom an estimate should be obtained."

"Leave was given to Lord Maugham to arrange for painting Arms on the small shields in the mantelpiece in the Council Room." [p. 200]

Treasurer: Mr Justice Clauson, C.B.E.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 18 Rt. Hon. Sir Frederick Pollock, Bt., K.C.
2. March 12 Charles Ashworth James, K.C.
3. May 7 Charles Ernest Rowland Abbott
4. October 19 Mr. Justice Rigby Swift
5. October 26 Lord Warrington of Clyffe

Biographical notes

2. James. b.1859. Called 1884. Invited to the Bench (1918) before taking silk (1926).

3. Abbott. b.1875. Conveyancer practising in London and Manchester. Died suddenly.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Wilfred Gordon Brown, O.B.E.
2. A.C. Nesbitt
3. Not replaced
4. Herbert David Samuels, K.C.
5. Ronald Francis Roxburgh, K.C.

1938

Council held on January 11th, 1938. [p. 201]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"Adopted the recommendation of the Garden Committee that the two outer trees of the three trees standing between the Old Hall and Chancery Lane be taken out and that the centre tree be left untouched." [p. 202]

Council held on January 31st, 1938. [p. 204]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 201, 206]

Francis Raymond Evershed, K.C.

"Ordered that the Arms of the Hon. Mr. Justice Morton, M.C. be placed in the Hall." [p. 207]

"Accepted with thanks the presentation to the Inn by A.H. Withers Esq.,¹ of two silver sugar sifters for use at the Bar Table." [p. 207]

Read the following report of the Library Committee

1. Recommend to the Council that a committee consisting of two members of each Inn be appointed to consider and report upon a proposal that the duty of acquiring and maintaining copies of the statutes and law reports of the British Commonwealth and the U.S.A. be distributed amongst the four Inns.

2. Recommend that the Library Staff be provided with lunch, as is done in the case of the rest of the staff.

Ordered that Recommendation No.1 be approved ... and that Recommendation No. 2 be referred to the Finance Committee. [p. 207]

Adjourned Council held on March 1st, 1938. [p. 208]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

"Read a communication from Gray's Inn of an Order referring to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interest and Discipline of the Bar to consider and report whether it should not be recommended to the Benchers of the Inns of Court that it be a rule that any practising Barrister found by his Benchers to have been adjudicated bankrupt shall be liable to be suspended from practice unless he satisfies his Benchers that owing to special circumstances he ought not to be so suspended." [pp. 208, 209]

Adopted the recommendation of the Finance Committee approved by the Building Committee that Mr. Cornford be appointed Surveyor to the Inn for one year only as from the expiration of his present agreement on the understanding (a) that he is to be at liberty to continue practice for clients other than the Inn, (b) that he is to give preference so far as is reasonably possible to the work of the Inn, (c) is to attend in the Inn at least four days a week save as otherwise approved by the Treasurer. The recommendation was approved subject to the addition of words making it quite clear that at the expiration of the year (on 9th May 1939) the engagement (unless renewed) will terminate without notice. [pp. 209, 210]

"R. Woolley was appointed a supernumerary porter." [p. 210]

¹ Andrew Henry Withers. Born 1875. Called to the Bar 1898. Practised as an equity draftsman and conveyancer until 1956. Author of *Withers on Reversions* (2nd ed. 1933).

"Adopted the report of the Garden Committee recommending the removal of the large thorn tree at the north west corner of the New Square garden." [p. 210]

Accepted with thanks the following presentations.

1. By the Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel, Bart. K.C.: a portrait of Lord Chief Justice Richardson.¹
2. By Lord Justice Clauson C.B.E.: a table to take the place of the existing altar table in the Chapel.
3. By A.P. Vanneck, Esq.: a silver match box for use in the Drawing Room.
4. By the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple: a copy of "Arabianiana." [p. 21]

"Adopted the recommendation of the Picture Committee that in view of the fact that there is no suitable place in the Inn where the picture of Milo of Cortona can be hung with advantage, this picture should be entrusted to Professor Tancred Borenus with a view to sale by private treaty at a price to be approved by the Vice Chairman of the Picture Committee and Sir Felix Cassel.

"Ordered that £25 be authorised to be spent on the cleaning of the picture and that it be insured for such an amount as Sir Felix Cassel and Lord Maugham agree." [p. 211]

Ordered "that no motion for permitting the use of the Chapel for a wedding, or the Old Hall for a wedding reception, on any day in the Sittings other than a Saturday be brought before the Council unless notice of the motion appears in the circulated paper of Agenda." [p. 211]

"Refused an application from the Children's Fresh Air Mission to be allowed the use of the Old Hall for their Annual Meeting." [p. 211]

"Granted an application from The Union Society of London for their Annual Ladies Night debate." [p. 211]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Sir Roger Gregory, the Solicitor to the Society. [p. 211]

Adjourned Council held on March 29th, 1938. [p. 212]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to write a letter of thanks to the Right Honourable Sir Paul Lawrence for having had painted two illuminated shields on the mantelpiece in the Council Room." [p. 213]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following.

The Solicitor was instructed to issue a writ against Mr. Harry Farrar, 4 Stone Buildings for possession and arrears of rent.

¹ (1569-1635). Chief Justice, Common Pleas (1626); King's Bench (1631). The target of the *brickbat que narrowly mist*. (DNB).

Recommended that on the retirement of Mr. H.J. Lawrence, the Foreman of the Works, on the 24th June next after 38 years service, he be granted a gratuity of £312 and a pension of £3 per week.

Adopted the scheme recommended by the Under Treasurer for the revision of duties and wages of the Laundresses, viz. that Mrs. Sturman remain as Head Laundress. Her present wage is £2 per week. Mrs. Chaney and Mrs. Jones be paid an equal wage of £1.4.-. per week, their work to be shared in accordance with a schedule to be approved. This will mean that the Butler's rooms, and other rooms will be cleaned more frequently. Mrs. Lee to be appointed Library Laundress in place of Mrs. Howard at £1 per week and Mrs. Button to be engaged as assistant Library Laundress and to be employed two days a week in the Laundry at an inclusive wage of £1.5.-. per week.

A sub-committee consisting of the Treasurer and two other Benchers was appointed to consider and report on a complaint against the Chief Porter.

Recommended that Mr. Harvey F. Plant, of the firm of Messrs. Gragory Rowcliffe & Co be appointed Solicitor to the Society in succession to Sir Roger Gregory, deceased.

Recommended that F. Hearn be given one months trial as a supernumerary Porter provided that his references are satisfactory. [pp. 213, 214]

Council held on April 26th, 1938. [p. 216]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Referred to the Building Committee an offer from A.F. Cole, Esq. to have the Arms of the Society which are on the wall outside the N.E. corner of the Old Hall re-painted at his expense. Also the question of re-painting [the] sun-dial near Stone Buildings and re-painting coats of arms over the entrance from Carey Street, so far as the matter has not been already dealt with by that Committee." [p. 216]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mrs. Reynolds, late Bench Laundress. [p. 216]

Council held on May 23rd, 1938. [p. 218]

Fourteen Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee:

"The Committee recommend that on the retirement on the 24th June of H.J. Lawrence, the present foreman of the Works department, that E.G. Wicks be appointed foreman and time keeper at £5 per week and that W. Cluit be appointed master carpenter at £5 per week.

"That the offer of Mr. Arthur Cole to have the Arms of the Society, which are on the wall outside the N.E. corner of the Old Hall [repainted] at his expense be accepted with thanks.

"That no action be taken on the question of re-painting the sundial on the wall of Stone Buildings." [p. 219]

"Approved a proposal to place an inscription on the Six Clerks Office and refer to the Building Committee to carry out the proposal." [p. 220]

Council held on June 14th, 1938. [p. 221]

Thirty Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee:

That no charge be made for use of the Old Hall by legal societies who have heretofore had the use of it free of charge; but that a fee of £5 be charged for the use of the Old Hall for wedding receptions (this fee not to cover gratuities to the servants of the Inn) and that in all other cases a fee be charged, such fee to be fixed by the Treasurer.

That the rules for issue of parking licences be revised in the following manner

1. That no licences be granted except to (a) members of the Inn (b) free-holders of chambers in New Square, (c) occupiers of chambers in the Inn...

That the remission of half water rate to members of the Inn occupying professional chambers in the Inn be discontinued.

A wedding present of £10 was given to the Second Clerk, Mr. F.C. Coales with the best wishes of the Masters of the Bench.

Recommended that the Chief Porter, Mr. Knight, be retired at 31st December next on a pension of 30/- per week. [pp. 222, 223]

"Granted an application from the County Court Judges for the use of the Hall and Benchers Rooms for their Dinner on 19th July." [p. 223]

"Accepted with thanks an offer from C.A. Kirby Esq. to present to the Inn a silver jug." [p. 223]

Council held on July 4th, 1938. [p. 225]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Read the Report dated 20th June 1938 of the Special Joint Committee of the four Inns of Court, appointed to assist the Colonial Office in the selection of candidates for posts which became vacant from time to time in the Colonial Legal Service." [p. 226]

Adjourned Council held on July 26th, 1938. [p. 227]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 226, 227]

Ralph Sutton, K.C.

Professor Arthur Lehman Goodhart was elected an Honorary Bencher with precedence on the Bench next after His Honour Hugh Murray Sturges K.C. [p. 228]

"Adopted the report of the Finance Committee recommending that a pension of 10/- per week as from 24th June last be granted to Mr. Albert Cornish one of the Choristers who has retired, he having been a member of the Choir for 43 years." [p. 228]

"Granted an application from Sir Reginald Rowe to be allowed the use of the Old Hall for a tea party to members of the Old Vic and Sadlers Wells Companies on a Sunday afternoon towards the end of September." [p. 229]

Friday 30th September 1938: The Munich Agreement was signed by Neville Chamberlain and Adolf Hitler.

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1938. [p. 230]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"Ordered that this Honourable Society become an Institutional Member of the British Records Association." [p. 230]

"Granted an application from E.K. Waterhouse for permission to reproduce the two Reynolds portraits at Lincoln's Inn in his book on condition that the pictures are not removed from this building." [p. 231]

Read the following report of Mr. F.H.L. Errington on the measures taken for the protection of the Inn on 28th, 29th and 30th September 1938.

Wednesday 28th September 1938

About 3.30 p.m. telegram arrived from the Treasurer approving suggestion of a small Emergency Committee for the protection of the Inn. Shortly afterwards I saw the Borough Surveyor who came following a request from the Borough Council that trenches should be dug for the people of the Inn. Arranged with him for the making of trenches in the garden on west side of Stone Buildings and extending eastwards from the bank (which offered some protection) sloping up to the top walk. To be done by the Borough workmen immediately on our giving notice to that effect to the Town Clerk who would undertake to restore when necessary. The Borough Surveyor said the trenches in this space would hold some 2,000 (I think this is an overestimate). They could be supplemented if necessary in New Square, draining the pond which could be done in about 3 hours.

Dr. Russell Thomas made out a list of medical stores at a price of some £25 and offered a lecture tomorrow on first aid etc.

I rang up various members of the Building Committee. All away from Chambers. I then asked Willes, Byrne and Roxburgh, who were on the spot to form the Committee and meet tomorrow at 11 o'clock.

Thursday, 29th September 1938

Committee: Errington, Willes, Byrne and Roxburgh, met at 11 in the Benchers Drawing Room.

1. Postpone for to-day making of trenches. Clerk to get from Town Clerk confirmation in writing of his undertaking to restore. To be considered. In the

first instance only to mark out the trenches, and then if necessary to dig sufficient at least for vacation population. Further as to the allotting of the trenches, and superintending their occupation: leaving fire fighters in or near the houses. Staff to get at once a census of vacation and term population.

2. Protection of Chapel and Halls. Working staff can, when ordered, paste paper over Chapel and Old Hall windows. Pictures and manuscripts should be removed to wine cellar.

3. Postpone for today purchase of first aid appliances. Understand fire fighting as regards residents is already provided for. As to protection of remainder, consider later the question of additional A.R.P. Wardens and of appliances, and the nature of premises to be protected. Authorise Clerk to order a further supply of sand and a bucket for each house.

4. For the moment unnecessary to recall the Under Treasurer from his short holiday.

Increased our staff by voluntary workers for census purposes. At 12.30 the Dr. gave a lecture in the Old Hall on first aid. Over 250 attended. Several volunteer helpers, whose names have been taken by the Clerk.

Friday 30th September 1938

The Committee met at 11 o'clock in the Benchers Drawing Room.

1. Fairchild reported order for gravel (already delivered) and for buckets. He was directed to countermand so far as possible the buckets. Dr. Russell Thomas to be asked to continue his series of six lectures in the Old Hall. After consulting him the ladies who volunteered to line splints to be told with many thanks no longer necessary. A census has been taken showing population of 1790 in term time and 1680 in vacation. Of these 180 are residents.

2. In view of future emergencies the Committee recommend the appointment of a small emergency committee, if not at present then at the earliest approach of an emergency, with power to co-opt a doctor, and would suggest the following points as likely to arise on an emergency.

(a) Medical stores should be provided at an early date, also sand, water and buckets, picks and shovels.

(b) If trenches are recommended, they should be immediately sited and pegged with plans showing their nature, and numbered and allocated in good time. The actual digging can be decided later, and in default of skilled workmen could be done by volunteers from the Inn. A list should be made of the occupants of every house for the purpose of allocating trenches and a key man told off for the purpose of evacuation of the house and occupation of the trench or gas proof chamber. Volunteers (trained men if possible) should be told off to assist in shutting the gates, shepherding ordinary members of the public who happened to be in the Inn to the allotted trench, and generally seeing to the close occupation of the trenches, or chambers.

(c) A doctor to be available night and day. During the day there would probably be a doctor at the Regimental Head Quarters 10 Stone Buildings.

(d) Adequate dressing stations or other necessary accommodation not only for residents but for the whole population, keeping in mind the obligation undertaken in that behalf by the Borough. Also notwithstanding those obligations, additional help against incendiary bombs, and to our fire unit.

(e) Ascertain beforehand and use the many men in the Inn who have had some military training and are over age. Some help may be obtained from the men (probably some dozen) occupying the Regimental Headquarters when the Regiment moves out on mobilisation.

(f) Generally. Ascertain the capabilities for protection against bombs, splinters or gas of the various cellars and basement rooms in the Inn, and possible use of sandbags.

The Committee expressed their appreciation of the sense of responsibility shown by Fairchild and of the zeal and efficiency with which the staff carried out their work. Immediate crisis over, the Committee dissolved. [pp. 231-235]

Council held on November 2nd, 1938 [p. 236]

Thirty-eight Benchers present.

Officers for 1939. [pp. 237, 238]

Treasurer: Francis Henry Launcelot Errington, C.B.

Master of the Library: Theobald Mathew

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. the Lord Chancellor [Lord Maugham]

Keeper of the Black Book: Roland Edmund Lomax Vaughan Williams, K.C.

Master of the Walks: Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.C.

Read the following communication from Sir Arthur Underhill:

I see from the agenda that the appointment of Officers for 1939 is one of the items. I suppose that, in the ordinary course, I should be proposed as Dean of the Chapel. But in my 89th year I feel that I am too old to accept that position. My health is not what it was and I have again lost my voice, so that it would be impossible for me to read one of the lessons; nor could I undertake the duty of regular attendance at Chapel Services; although I hope to do so from time to time. Moreover, even if I lived until 1941, it would be ridiculous for a man in his 91st year to aspire to the Treasurership. I am therefore writing this letter so that you may not be inconvenienced and that you may be in a position to explain to the Bench that I desire to retire from the office at the end of the present year. [p. 237]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee with the exception of para. No. 4 which was referred back

1. Read the Under Treasurer's report that acting on the instructions of this Committee he has negotiated the purchase of the late Sir Arthur Dryden's Chambers at 3 New Square for £4860, the same sum as agreed in November last. That he has signed a contract on behalf of the Inn, prepared by the Inn's Solicitor and approved by Mr. Errington, and has paid a deposit of £486 ... The action of the Under Treasurer was approved.

2. Recommended that the Benchers Term dues be increased by 10/- to 35/- per term. That no action be taken on the suggestion that Benchers who after 1933 become senior in standing to the Treasurer pay Term dues.
3. Recommended that the Inn do not give a Christmas Party this year.
4. Recommended to Council to approach the other Inns of Court with a view to forming a Joint Committee of two members from each Bench to consider the advisability of raising the Fees payable by Students on Admission and Call.
5. The consideration of the future of the Barristers Common Room was adjourned. [*pp.* 238, 239]

Adopted the following report of the Picture Committee

"Upon considering the question of a portrait of the Lord Chancellor, Mr. Eves, Mr. Dugdale and Mr. Gunn were selected by the Committee as the Artists to whom the Treasurer should write to ascertain the fee they would charge for a portrait of the Lord Chancellor to be hung in the Inn.

"After reading the replies received by the Treasurer and also the letter received by the Treasurer from Lord Maugham, the Committee decided to entrust the commission to Mr. Eves at 500 guineas. . . ." [*p.* 239]

"Granted an application from Mr. Wynn Thomas, a Barrister of the Middle Temple for the use of the Old Hall for his daughter's wedding reception provided he joins the Inn *ad eundem*." [*p.* 239]

Council held on November 25th, 1938. [*p.* 242]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [*pp.* 237, 243]

Charles Eustace Harman, K.C.

"Ordered that Grand Days be held in Easter, Trinity and Michaelmas Terms next year." [*p.* 244]

"Granted an application on behalf of the Pegasus Club to be allowed the use of the Hall for a Ball about the end of February subject to arrangements for smoking to be approved by the Treasurer." [*p.* 244]

"Read an application from the International Law Association for this Inn to co-operate in entertaining Le Jeune Barreau of Brussels on the occasion of their visit to this country towards the end of Easter Term next. Ordered that this Inn concurs with the suggestion of the Inner Temple that joint action be taken by the four Inns of Court with regard to any proposed hospitality." [*p.* 244]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mr. Reginald Stegall, late Organist and a pensioner of this Honourable Society." [*p.* 245]

Council held on December 19th, 1938. [*p.* 245]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

"Adopted the following report dated 15th December of a Joint Committee of the four Inns of Court appointed to consider and report upon a proposal that

the duty of acquiring and maintaining copies of the Statutes and Law Reports of the British Commonwealth and the U.S.A. be distributed among the four Inns.

"Mr. Hodgkinson produced a report containing the details he was requested to obtain at the last meeting of the Joint Committee. The Joint Committee expressed their deep appreciation of the service he had rendered.

"It was agreed after discussion that, having regard to the unequal distribution of Statutes and Reports among the Libraries, there was no possibility of framing a scheme which would give effect to the proposal. It appeared, so far as the question of space was concerned, that there was no immediate urgency; and that any economy which might be effected would be inconsiderable.

"Mr. Hodgkinson was requested to send copies of his report to the Libraries of the four Inns, the Bar Library and the Privy Council." [pp. 246, 247]

Adopted a report of the Finance Committee which included the following

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the completion of the purchase of Chambers at 3 New Square from the Representatives of the late Sir Arthur Dryden.

"Approved the Treasurer's report that with the assistance of the Treasurer elect and the Vice Chairman of the Building Committee he interviewed candidates for the post of Chief Porter and that they were unanimous in appointing S.C. Warren, late R.N.

"Recommended to the Council that in view of the proposal to provide a Common Room in the Hall and Library Building for the use of all Barristers of the Inn, and the probability that such provision will be made in the course of 1939, notice be given to the Committee of the present Common Room in Stone Buildings to terminate their occupation on the 24th June 1939 and that the present arrangements whereby the Inn pays the rates on the Common Room, and the cost of coal, and half the cost of gas and electric light will be continued up to that date, and the Inn will provide £150 for the period from 25th December 1938 to the 24th June 1939." [pp. 247, 248]

"Referred to the Discipline Committee a Petition of Pestonji Cursetji Tarapore, who was disbarred by this Honourable Society in 1915, to be reinstated." [p. 248]

"The Treasurer made a verbal report on the London Rating (Site Values) Bill. Ordered that this Inn join with the other Inns of Court in representations to be made to the Parliamentary Agents for the Bill, that the Inns of Court should be exempted from its operation. In case of refusal, the question of joining with the other Inns in petitioning against the Bill to be considered at the next meeting of the Council." [p. 248]

Treasurer: Mr Justice Macnaghten, K.B.E.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 1 William Everard Tyldesley Jones, K.C.
2. February 22 Frederick Barrington-Ward, K.C.
3. June 12 Sir Lewis Dibdin, K.C.
4. October 24 Sir Thomas Raffles Hughes, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Jones b.1874. Large practice at the Parliamentary Bar. (Anecdote: Ball's *Lincoln's Inn* (1947) pp. 204, 205.) Standing Counsel to the University of Wales.
2. Barrington-Ward. b.1881. Vinerian Law Scholar at Oxford. Fellow of All Souls College. Retired from practice owing to ill health, and was appointed Metropolitan Police Magistrate from 1928.
4. Hughes. See Introduction: Chronicle: "Quarrel between Benchers."¹

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. F.R. Evershed, K.C.
2. Not replaced
3. Ralph Sutton, K.C.
4. Charles E. Harman, K.C.

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Council held on January 11th, 1939. [p. 249]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read and approved the following report on the examination of the plate belonging to the Society by Ronald F. Roxburgh, K.C. and Raymond Evershed, K.C.

... we have checked the whole of the plate with the records of the Society and beg to report that subject to the following observations the records are in order and the plate was produced for our inspection.

OBSERVATIONS

- (a) One small silver fork from the Bench Table is missing and was reported to us as having been missing since the Chancery Bar Association dinner.
- (b) One silver handled poultry carving knife dated 1839 is missing.
- (c) One small silver fork from the Barristers table is missing.
- (d) One ivory handled knife recorded as being kept with the Communion Plate is missing.
- (e) A few articles of minor importance are and have as we understand for some years past been out of repair. We suggest that they should be repaired or, if not worth repair, disposed of. Such articles are the following.

Amongst Festival Plate

1. Fluted candlestick with branches plated

Amongst Bench Table Plate

2. Three silver handled table knives.

¹ See *ante*, p. 55.

3. Three silver handled cheese knives.
5. Five ivory handled small knives.
6. One mustard pot belonging to silver cruet.

Amongst Barristers Table Plate

7. Silver candlestick presented by Sir A. Underhill.

(f) In the record of the Bench Table Plate is included an item 19 plain antique table spoons H.M.1726. The number of these spoons is now found to be 20. We understand that one had some time previously been reported missing.

(g) The record of the Barristers Table Plate contains no item for Soup Ladles. There are in fact 24 Soup Ladles (electro plated) bearing the date 1910 and the initials P.S.S. which are nowhere recorded, and are in addition to the 30 Soup Ladles dated 1879 recorded under Students Tables. We suggest that the records be amended to cover the above items.

We should like to express our appreciation of the assistance given to us by the Staff and our admiration of the way in which the Society's silver has been cared for and preserved. [pp. 249-251]

Approved the suggestion of the Treasurer that on the occasion of the publication to the Bench of a member of the Inner Bar, the senior of the two Benchers who have been requested to convey the invitation to the member about to be published, should use the following formula when presenting him to the Treasurer: "Treasurer we present to you one of His Majesty's Counsel learned in the Law and qualified to be a Bencher of this Honourable Society." [p. 251]

"The Treasurer was authorised to take such steps as he might think fit in conjunction with the other Inns, in the event of the letter which has been sent to the promoters of the London Rating (Site Values) Bill requesting that the Inns of Court may be exempted from that Bill, being met with a refusal." [p. 251]

Council held on January 31st, 1939. [p. 253]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Rt. Hon. Lord Macmillan with reference to the Committee on advanced Legal Studies in Law which has been appointed to take into consideration Branch B of the Report of the Committee on Legal Education appointed by the Lord Chancellor on August 4th, 1932 (1934, Cmd. 4663); to advise as to the best practicable means of carrying into effect the recommendations therein contained with regard to the establishment in London of an Institute for the promotion of advanced studies in the history and principles of law; to frame a constitution for such Institute; and to report.¹ Ordered that the Treasurer and Lord Justice Clauson be appointed to represent this Inn to confer with the other Inns thereon. [pp. 254-259]

Adopted the following report of the Discipline Committee

Upon considering a complaint against Bhikkoo Dinshaw Gandevia, a student, the Committee requested Mr. Theobald Mathew to summarize the evidence for presentation to the Council with a recommendation by Sir George Rankin, in which the Committee concur, that Mr. Gandevia

¹ The project prospered. The Institute of Advanced Legal Studies was duly set up, and has acquired for itself an enviable reputation.

be told that in June a report of his conduct will be obtained and unless satisfactory he will be called upon to show cause why his Call should not be postponed or refused. [p. 260]

"Approved the Report of the Library Committee ... recommending that the Library hours during all Vacations be from 11-4 (and closed on Saturdays and usual holidays), except that (a) in the Long Vacation the full hours shall prevail from and including 1st October, (b) in other vacations if the Sittings begin on any other day than Monday the Library to be open till 6 o'clock on the previous day." [p. 260]

Approved the following report of the Finance Committee:

"Upon considering the Under Treasurer's memorandum upon cleaning, guarding and watching the Inn, the Committee recommend that an additional porter be engaged at a wage of £2.10. to enable the hours of work of the porters to be shortened. That Porter Hollis be retired on pension of £1.5. per week and that he be given a gratuity of £10 and that a porter be engaged in his place at a wage of £2.10. per week." [p. 260]

"Ordered that an Air Raid Precautions Committee be appointed consisting of the Treasurer [and three other Benchers] in addition to those [three] Benchers who formed the Emergency Committee in September last." [p. 261]

"The Treasurer reported that he has lodged a Petition to Parliament on behalf of the Inn against the London Rating (Site Value) Bill." [p. 261]

"Refused a request from the University Correspondence College that facilities be granted to them to receive from time to time a copy of the Register of Bar Students." [p. 261]

"Granted an application from Sir Reginald Rowe for the use of the Old Hall for a General Meeting of the National Federation of Housing Societies, to be followed by a luncheon and Ordered that he be charged £5.5. for the use of the Hall." [p. 261]

Special Council held on February 16th, 1939. [p. 262]

The Treasurer and fourteen other Benchers present.

Upon consideration of the Petition of Pestonji Cursetji Tarapore, who was disbarred by this Honourable Society in 1915, to be re-instated.

Mr. Pugh K.C. for the Petitioner addressed the Council and then withdrew.

Resolved that the Petition be refused.

Council held on March 7th, 1939. [p. 263]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 259, 264]

Edward Gwynne Eardley-Wilmot.

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Best an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society. [p. 264]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report that the House of Commons refused to allow the London Rating (Site Value) Bill to be presented as a Private Members Bill." [p. 264]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following.

"A donation of £23.5. was made towards the cost of the Annual Dinner and Entertainment of the staff of the Inn."

"A wedding present of £10 was granted to Mr. L.W. Pilkington, the Third Clerk."

"A recommendation from the Building Committee that the proposed new room over the Kitchen, to be used as a Barristers Common Room, be proceeded with in accordance with the plans and estimates submitted by the Surveyor and approved by the Architect, except that the additional £240 suggested by the Architect for panelling be not approved. Total estimated cost £1060."

"Approved the report of the Under Treasurer that he has engaged as porters at a wage of £2.10. per week J.C. Freestone aged 41 recently an A.B. in the Royal Navy and H.S. Marvin aged 42 recently a stoker in the Royal Navy." [pp. 265, 266]

Council held on April 18th, 1939. [p. 267]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Adopted a report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Approved a recommendation from the A.R.P. Committee to purchase a gross of buckets and six sanitary closets.

The following list of annual donations

	<i>Gross amount</i>	<i>Net amount</i>
The Barristers' Benevolent Association		X 120
Inns of Court Mission		50
Charing Cross Hospital	X 52.10	38. 1.3.
Royal Free Hospital	X 52.10	38. 1.3.
The Selden Society	X 50	36. 5.
The United Clerks Society	X 21	15. 4.6.
The Charity Organisation Society	X 20	14.10.
The Society of Comparative Legislation		10.10.
Rev. E.M. Daniel, Church of St. Anselm, Kingsway		10.10.
Vicar, St. Clement Danes, Easter Offerings		10.10.
Childrens Country Holiday Fund, Soho Branch		10.10.
St. Clement Danes Country Holiday Fund		5. 5.
R.C.J. Sick (staff) and Provident Society		10.10.
The Bentham Committee		10.10.
The Society of Our Lady of Good Counsel		10.10.
		<u>£390.17.</u>

MEM: Those marked "X" receive their donations under a seven years agreement. In all cases except one income tax has been deducted at the rate of 5/6 in the £. The exception is The Barristers Benevolent Association who receive their donation in full and claim income tax in addition. [pp. 268, 269]

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee

"Recommend to Council as a matter of urgency that Mr. Henley Cornford be continued as Surveyor to this Honourable Society for another year certain, i.e. to 9th May 1940 on present terms and conditions.

"Upon considering an application from the Territorial Force Association for permission to build another storey on to the Drill Hall, and for an extension of their Lease, recommend to Council that there is no objection to the proposed building, subject to the approval of plans and specifications by this Committee, and suggest that if the Territorial Force Association surrender their present Lease the Inn will grant a new Lease for 30 years from 24th June 1939 at £800 p.a. subject to contract.

"Recommend that the Under Treasurer be at liberty to put forward £400 as the probable rent of the premises at present in occupation of the Barristers Common Room at 7 Stone Buildings." [pp. 269, 270]

"Granted an application from Mr. Eves to be allowed to borrow the portrait of the Lord Chancellor [Lord Maugham] for the Royal Academy Exhibition." [p. 270]

"Referred to the Discipline Committee a communication from the Chief Registrar, Lagos, that William Akaje Macaulay, a Barrister of this Honourable Society, has, by Order of the Supreme Court of Nigeria, been struck off the Roll of the Court of Lagos for infamous conduct in a professional respect." [p. 270]

"The Under Treasurer reported that in response to an appeal made by Lady Clauson and Lady Macnaghten to the wives of the Benchers for funds to provide a new altar cloth, cushions and carpet for the Chapel £56.10.2. has been subscribed and expended for that purpose. Resolved that the thanks of the Masters of the Bench be given to Lady Clauson, Lady Macnaghten and the other Ladies who subscribed for the gift which is greatly appreciated." [p. 270]

Council held on May 15th, 1939. [p. 272]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Middle Temple of an Order:—

that in the opinion of that Bench such an amendment of the Consolidated Regulations should be made as will provide that notwithstanding the provisions of Regulation 37, and without prejudice to and in addition to the other powers of dispensation conferred by these Regulations, the Masters of the Bench of any Inn may dispense with the keeping of any Term or Terms by any student of their Inn who shall have been unable to keep such Term, or Terms by reason of his being or having been engaged in National Service,

and a communication from the Inner Temple of an Order that the above recommendation be approved:— Order that this Inn make a similar Order” [p. 273]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon considering an enquiry whether the Inn would be prepared to buy the Ground Floor Chambers and Basements now in occupation of Messrs. Walters & Co. at Nos. 9 and 10 New Square for £9000; the sale to be conditional upon their receiving in exchange a Lease for 21 years at a rent of £600 p.a. for all they now occupy. (MEM. this would include the old passageway between Nos. 9 and 10 which belongs to the Inn and for which Messrs. Walters & Co. already pay a rent of £50 p.a.)

Recommend to Council that the Inn are ready to invest £9000 or such sum as may be recommended after a valuation by Mr. Stanley, and to consider the terms of the Lease asked for. Messrs. Walters to be informed that they may assume that the Inn does not usually disturb sitting tenants but that on the termination of a Lease the question of proper rent always has to be considered.

A sub-committee consisting of [three members of the Finance Committee] was appointed to consider with the Committee of the Common Room the details of the transfer from 7 Stone Buildings to the Hall.

Approved that a computation be held with the Inner Temple on a date to be fixed.¹ [p. 274]

“Accepted with thanks the presentation to the Inn by the Hon. Mr. Justice Macnaghten K.B.E. of a marble bust of the late Professor Maitland.” [p. 275]

Council held on June 6th, 1939. [p. 276]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

“Accepted with thanks the presentation to the Inn by Lady Holland of a portrait of the late Vice-Chancellor, Sir Charles Hall.” [p. 276]

Council held on June 26th, 1939. [p. 278]

Twenty Benchers present.

“The Treasurer made a verbal report on a meeting of the Joint Committee of the four Inns to consider the proposal to establish in London an Institute of Advanced Legal Studies.

Ordered the Treasurer be authorised to express to Lord Macmillan the interest of this Bench in the proposed Institute of Advanced Legal Studies and to inform him of the willingness of this Bench to consider suggestions for enabling persons attending the Institute from overseas to have the temporary benefit, on appropriate terms, of the educational and social facilities afforded by the Inn to its members.” [p. 278]

¹ The Society has no record that the entertainment was ever held, no doubt owing to the outbreak of the Second World War in the following September.

"Read a communication from Gray's Inn of an Order approving a recommendation from the Middle Temple that an amendment be made to the Consolidated Regulations to give the Benchers power to grant dispensation of Terms on account of National Service." [p. 279]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Theobald Mathew, Esq. (MEM: This vacancy not to be filled in accordance with the Order of Council of 18th May 1936). [p. 279]

Ordered that in consequence the officers of the Society until 10th January 1940 be the following

Master of the Library: The Lord Chancellor (Lord Maugham)
 Dean of the Chapel: R.E.L. Vaughan Williams, K.C.
 Keeper of the Black Book: Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.C.
 Master of the Walks: Mr. Justice Atkinson. [p. 279]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee.

That for the better guarding of the Inn the gates at More's Passage, Base Court, Carey Street and Stone Buildings be closed at 2 p.m. on Saturdays.

That upon consideration of an offer from Messrs. Walters & Co. to sell to the Society the Chambers in their occupation at Nos. 9 and 10 New Square for £9000, the committee report that having regard to the advice of our consulting Surveyor, Mr. H.M. Stanley, they cannot recommend the Bench to offer a larger sum than £8600 advised by him, and that Messrs Walters be advised accordingly.

That E.L. Langford, cellarman and waiter be granted a gratuity of £5 and a pension of 25/- per week on his retirement.

Adopted the following report of the sub-Finance Committee appointed to deal with the Common Room.

Your sub-committee saw Mr. Hecksher and Mr. Boraston on behalf of the Committee of the Common Room on 8th June 1939 and communicated the decision of the Finance Committee arrived at on 7th June. The decision of the Finance Committee to leave the Refund Account in the hands of the Committee of the Common Room obviously gave complete satisfaction and the co-operation of the Committee and Members of the Common Room in any details as to the transfer, will, we have no doubt, be gladly given. We arranged that the cash gratuities approved by the Finance Committee should be paid by the Common Room Committee out of the War Loan and accounting to the Under Treasurer for the balance of the proceeds.

We arranged that the present supply of newspapers, including the subscription to Smiths for the periodicals and library books, should for the present be continued. We were told that the subscription to Smiths was monthly and we explained that its continuance and the question as to what newspapers etc. should be taken in the future would be subject to revision in the light of experience. A suggestion book will be kept in the Common Room.

Subject to the approval of the Kitchen Committee, it is proposed that teas should, if possible, be served in the new Common Room at the same price as in the old; and that the Hall should be open for luncheon somewhat earlier than at present in order to meet the habits of some of the Common Room members. It was also suggested that it might be desirable for the Hall to be open for luncheons during that part of the vacation in which the Common Room was formerly open but this matter was left for further consideration of the Under Treasurer and the Committees of the Bench concerned.

After inspection of the new Common Room and the furniture in the old common Room various suggestions were made as to the use of some of the furniture in the new Common Room but it was decided that those questions can only be settled after actual trial of the furniture in the new Common Room becomes practicable. [pp. 280, 281]

Council held on July 24th, 1939. [p. 283]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

The Right Hon. Mukund Ramrao Jayakar was elected an Honorary Bencher with precedence on the Bench next below The Right Hon. Sir George Rankin. [p. 284]

"The Treasurer reported that The Right Reverend Bishop Hensley Henson has accepted the invitation to deliver the next series of Warburton Lectures." [p. 284]

"The Treasurer reported that a party of Danish Lawyers visited the Inn on the 15th July last." [p. 284]

"Granted an application from Sir Reginald Rowe for the use of the Old Hall for a party to be given on Sunday 24th September to the Drama, Opera and Ballet Companies of the Old Vic and Sadlers Wells." [p. 284]

Adopted reports of the Finance Committee which included the following

The Under Treasurer reported that Messrs. Walters & Co. had accepted the offer of £8600 for their chambers at Nos. 9 and 10 New Square upon condition that the Inn grant them a lease for 21 years at a rent of £600 p.a. Recommended that completion of purchase be made on 29th September next ...

The action of the Under Treasurer in selling to the Territorial Army Association for £50 some of the carpets, linoleum and furniture from the Barristers Common Room was approved ...

Recommended that Mr. Thomas P. Mills be offered £4850 for his chambers on the Ground Floor and Basement South at No 8 New Square which is the value put upon them by Mr. H.M. Stanley.

Recommended to offer to the Territorial Army and Air Force Association that upon surrendering their present lease on the Drill Hall as from 29th September next, the Masters of the Bench will grant a new lease for fifty years at a rent of £800 p.a....

Recommended that chains of the same pattern as those in the Archway under the Old Hall be placed round the ten openings on the North, South and East sides of the Undercroft of the Chapel to prevent people from walking on the tombstones.

Ordered that the Under Treasurer be authorised to inform the proposed vendor of chambers on the Ground Floor and Basement South of No. 8 New Square that if he, the vendor, offers to take £5000 the Under Treasurer is authorised to accept those terms on behalf of the Society, but only on the clear understanding that the final cost of the structural repairs to the property now in progress is to be borne by the vendor to the indemnity of the Society and that the contract is so to provide in terms satisfactory to the Bench. [*pp.* 285, 286]

“Adopted the following report of the Air Raid Precautions Committee [dated] 15th July 1939

1. Shelters have been allocated to all occupiers of chambers and their employees in the Inn. They consist of the cellars under the Hall buildings, those under the Old Hall, those under Nos. 13, 14 & 15 Old Square, those under No. 10 Stone Buildings and the Undercroft of the Chapel protected by sandbags. In the Undercroft there will also be room for an auxiliary fire engine to be supplied by the London County Council. In all cases they have double exits, are lighted and are not liable to flooding.

2. A sufficient supply of tools is available; some buckets, forty fire extinguishers, cellophane paper and candles have been purchased. A First Aid Post, and decontamination chamber have been provided for, and some medical stores purchased.

3. The pictures can be stored in the cellars under the Hall; but the question arises whether our Black Books and valuable manuscripts should at once be sent to some more secure locality or should be kept as at present in the strong room. The latter is very strongly constructed and is believed to be fire proof. The Committee recommend they should remain here. They are more or less in use and if sent away they will come under other and perhaps not such careful supervision. This is a matter however they think should be decided by the Council.

4. Apart from preventative measures it appears impossible to provide against an emergency. A number of the staff will be called up. The population of the Inn must greatly diminish. the Courts will migrate; and the Halls and Chapel may have to be closed. On the other hand the ordinary life of the Bench and the older members of the Bar may go on. In any case there will be a nucleus of air wardens, fire fighters, and demolition and rescue parties among the older members of the staff and among residents which can probably be increased if necessary. There is also a very competent medical practitioner living in the Inn, and some ladies trained in First Aid etc. There will be a certain number of trained men at the Head Quarters of the Inns of Court Regiment who will be available for maintaining order.

5. In the absence of knowledge of the actual circumstances no scheme of general organisation to meet a crisis appears possible or even desirable,

but a crisis must be quickly met, and the Committee recommend that in the absence of the Treasurer the senior Benchers on the spot should be given authority and be at liberty to add to the then available members of the A.R.P. Committee or appoint a new Committee or new Committees as he may think desirable, and that his authority should continue until the return of the Treasurer or a Meeting of the Council.

Approved the recommendation as to the Black Books and manuscripts remaining in the Strong Room." [pp. 287, 288]

3rd September 1939: Outbreak of War.

Adjourned Council held on October 2nd, 1939. [p. 289]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Council of Legal Education that William Cleveland-Stevens Esq., K.C., has been appointed head of the Inns of Court Law School and Director of Legal Studies as from 1st October 1939." [p. 290]

"The Treasurer reported verbally on the affairs of the Inn up to date and his report was approved. Ordered that the administration of the Inn is to go on as usual. Committees are to meet as formerly. Dinners to be discontinued for the present. Benchers to lunch in Hall at a separate table.¹ Benchers to pay for their drinks. Benchers Term Fees to be suspended.² It was resolved that the Treasurer be authorised to meet the Treasurers of the other Inns in order to agree a modification of the Consolidated Regulations enabling the Masters of the Bench of each Inn to give such dispensations or make such other arrangements with regard to keeping terms as they may think necessary or desirable; and that pending such alteration the Treasurer be authorised to substitute luncheons for dinners and to extend the Dining Term so as to include the whole term of the Sittings, and further to dispense altogether or in part with the keeping of the following term by all or any students of this Inn and to publish such dispensation whenever in his opinion it is desirable to do so. That until further order no new Scholarships be awarded. The following resolution was passed.

The Council desires the Treasurer to convey to the Under Treasurer and through him to the whole staff its appreciation of the efficiency with which he and they have carried out their various duties during this period of stress.

"The Council also expressed its warm appreciation of the unremitting labours of the Treasurer in the heavy addition to the work of his office caused by the crisis and the outbreak of War.

"The action of the Treasurer in authorising various items of expenditure was approved." [pp. 290, 291]

¹ It would appear that they had been accustomed to take lunch in one of the Benchers Rooms called for this purpose the Dining Room: see 5BB.348.

² They were reimposed in Trinity Term 1942: *post*, p. 441.

Special Council held on October 11th, 1939. [p. 292]

Seventeen Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported that at a meeting of the Treasurers of the four Inns held at Lincoln's Inn on the 4th October 1939 it was agreed that the following Regulation should be added to the Consolidated Regulations and that such Regulation has been added accordingly:

45(a) Notwithstanding anything in these Regulations contained and for the duration of the present War the Masters of the Bench of any Inn may dispense with the keeping by Students of any term or terms or with any attendance or attendances in Hall for that purpose or substitute other conditions of keeping terms for Call to the Bar.

and Moved That acting in this respect in common with the other Inns under the above regulations the Masters of the Bench dispense with the keeping by all Students of this Inn of the Michaelmas Term 1939 and that this dispensation is in addition to any dispensation already granted or hereafter granted under other dispensing Regulations." [p. 292]

"The Under Treasurer was granted permission to accept the Office of Clerk to the Commissioners of Income Tax for Lincoln's Inn should it be offered to him." [p. 292]

Council held on November 2nd, 1939. [p. 293]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Officers for 1940: [p. 294]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Maugham.¹

Master of the Library: Roland Edmund Lomax Vaughan Williams, K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Atkinson

Master of the Walks: Bryan Farrer, or should he decline to take office, the Rt. Hon. Viscount Hailsham.

"Granted an application from the Chancery Bar Lodge to be allowed to hold their Meetings at noon on Saturdays to be followed by a luncheon." [p. 294]

"Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

"The Under Treasurer reported the completion of the purchase of Messrs. Walters' Chambers at Nos. 9 and 10 New Square for £8600 and that the Chambers have been insured with the Law Fire Insurance for that sum.

"Upon consideration of the cases of Mr. Briggs, the electricians mate, Mr. Keogh, the master of the night watch and Mr. Smart, the assistant gardener, it was Ordered that their places be kept open for them.

"The Treasurer was requested to write to the Preacher, Chaplain and Organist as to the possibility of their services having to be dispensed with and that Mr. Trevor be directed to give notice to the members of the Choir to terminate their engagements at the earliest possible date.

¹ Created Viscount on September 22nd, 1939.

"The Buildings Committee reported that they have received notices to quit at Christmas next chambers to the value of £2253 per annum. It was recommended that the Council pass a resolution in similar terms to the one passed on 2nd November 1914.

"Recommended that it is the intention of the Society to continue Mr. Cornford (the Surveyor) in his employment upon existing terms during the War unless circumstances arise which in the opinion of the Society make it necessary to make some change.

"The Treasurer was requested to write to Sir Giles Scott, the Architect, as to his waiving his fee of £105 per annum.

"Recommended that Students who are granted dispensation of terms be required to pay the Term fee." [pp. 295, 296]

"The Treasurer reported that in response to a request from the Mayor of Holborn that a member of the Inn be appointed on a committee he is forming to take an active part in connection with H.R.H. the Duke of Gloucester's Appeal for the Red Cross and St. John's War Organisation, Mr. Cleveland-Stevens has consented to become a member of such committee." [p. 296]

"The Under Treasurer reported that with the assistance of his wife and daughter he has organised a working party in aid of the Red Cross amongst the ladies resident in the Inn. The Treasurer has placed the Barristers Refreshment Room at their disposal; they meet once a week and also do a considerable amount of work in their own homes. They have subscribed between them £22.5.- which has been expended on materials at wholesale prices. The Under Treasurer is acting as treasurer of the fund and proper accounts are being kept. The following garments are ready for despatch:— 8 bed jackets, 12 night shirts, 2 helpless shirts, 2 many tail bandages, 3 scarves, 19 balaclava helmets, 23 pairs of mittens, 3 pairs of operation socks, and 14 pairs of bed socks. Further funds are now required for the purchase of materials. Ordered that the Inn subscribe £22.5.- to the fund." [p. 296]

Read the following communication addressed to the Under Treasurer by Joseph H. Bowman

We the undermentioned Barristers of Lincoln's Inn, on whose behalf I write, will be honoured if the Masters of the Bench will accept as a gift from us the silver candlestick and oak plinth delivered to you yesterday, for the use and ornament of the First Bar Table during dinners in Hall.

The object of the donors whose names are inscribed on the plinth, is to preserve the recognised custom that when no Master of the Bench is present in Hall, permission to smoke should be obtained from the senior Barrister or Captain of the first Mess at the First Bar Table.

Since the Great War it has become a well recognised custom for the Captain in the First Mess to signify this permission by ordering the Butler to light and place on the table in the First Bar Mess a candle, which is never lighted and placed on the table without such order.

It will be understood, therefore, that the candlestick so lighted is merely the means or instrument by which the Captain signifies to the Barristers at dinner his permission that they may smoke, but as the candlestick hitherto in use has appeared to diners inadequate for the purpose, we are desirous of presenting with our compliments to the Masters of the Bench a candlestick which we venture to hope is an ornament worthy of the Honourable Society and of the pleasing custom which it is intended to preserve.

DONORS: A.H. Withers, H.V. Rabagliati, F. McMullan, W. Gutch, J.H. Bowman, T.D.D. Divine, J.H.G. Buller, W.S. Wigglesworth, W.S. Russell Thomas.

Ordered that the gift be accepted with thanks. [p. 297]

Read the following communication from the Architect, Sir Giles Gilbert Scott, to the Treasurer

"I have your letter of the 11th inst and in reply am writing to say that I quite understand the position in regard to my appointment and realise the necessity for cutting down expenses in view of the present unfortunate time. I imagine that until the War is over there will be little chance of carrying out any appreciable amount of work of an architectural character in Lincoln's Inn, and I shall therefore be quite willing, as suggested, to waive my retaining fee. Should work unexpectedly have to be done, for which my services were required, no doubt this could be considered independently, and I am sure we could easily come to some arrangement as to remuneration which would be perfectly satisfactory to both sides."
[p. 298]

Special Council held on November 3rd, 1939. [p. 299]

Nine Benchers present.

Ordered that William Edward Akaye Macauley be and he is hereby Disbarred and Expelled from this Honourable Society....

Council held on November 30th, 1939. [p. 301]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Order of Council of the 2nd November last appointing Viscount Maugham Treasurer and Mr. Vaughan Williams Master of the Library be rescinded and that Mr. Vaughan Williams be Treasurer and Viscount Maugham Master of the Library for the ensuing year."

"Read the Treasurer's report that Mr. Bryan Farrer has declined the Office of Master of the Walks and that Viscount Hailsham has accepted it." [p. 301]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report that the purchase of Mr. Mills chambers at No. 8 New Square has been completed for £5000." [p. 301]

Adopted the following report of the Treasurer:

At a meeting of the Treasurers of the four Inns, Sir Holman Gregory representing the Treasurer of the Middle Temple, held at Lincoln's Inn on the 21st

November 1939 it was unanimously agreed that they recommend to their respective Benches:

1. (a) That it is not desirable that men should be called to the Bar without any participation in the life of their Inn; dispensations will therefore not be universal or automatic.

(b) That any arrangements for keeping the coming term should be of a tentative nature and confined to that term.

(c) That while the particular method of keeping a term must be decided by each Inn for itself, dispensation should be confined to

(i) Students serving in the forces of the Crown or doing full time public service.

(ii) Students at a University outside London.

(iii) Students having particular grounds approved by their Bench for a dispensation.

(d) That with regard to the keeping of or dispensation from terms Students should be informed personally and not through the Press.

(e) That there should be an early meeting of the Treasurers next term to discuss recommendations for the following term.

2. That it is undesirable that scholarships should be granted during the War.

3. That before subscribing to the Red Cross fund it is desirable that the four Treasurers should meet and agree either to a joint contribution or to a limit of the amount of contribution.

4. That the Treasurers learn with satisfaction that the Council of Legal Education has realised the larger part of its Reserve Funds towards meeting the expected deficiency on this years income. [p. 302]

Adjourned Council held on December 20th, 1939. [p. 303]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 301, 308]

Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, K.C.

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee:

The Committee recommend that in cases where a tenant of the Society by reason of his being a member of the Forces of the Crown or otherwise serving whole time in connection with the War is unable to use his Chambers or from a like cause loses his undertenants or loses the rent etc. for the time being by holding over the rooms for such undertenants, an allowance at the rate of 75 p.c. of the value of the room or rooms unlet be made to the tenant on the understanding that the allowance is granted on the assumption that not less than the corresponding remission has been or will be passed on to the tenant on War service. On this basis they recommend allowances for the quarter ending Christmas which total £315. The value of the Rent Bill for the quarter ending Christmas is approximately £8000.

[The Committee further recommended]

That the Society are unable to make any allowance in respect of rates.

That Messrs. Hiscott, Troughton and Page whose leases of Nos. 3 and 5 Stone Buildings expire at Christmas and who had agreed to take new leases at the increased rents of £230 and £60 be granted leases from Christmas at rents of £195 and £50 the rent to rise to the agreed new figures from the first quarter day after the cessation of hostilities.

That the rent of Mr. E.G. Wright of 14 Old Square be reduced from £90 to £68 as from 29th September last while he and his wife are on War work.

That the application of Mrs. Holford Knight for a reduction of rent on compassionate grounds be refused.

That Philpot the joiner be granted a pension of 35/- per week and that Lance a labourer be granted a pension of 30/- per week. [*pp.* 303, 305]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

The following facts and figures were brought to the attention of the committee.

The Chapel expenditure for this year was budgeted for at £950 which is about correct. The items are as follows

Preacher	210 p.a. holding office during pleasure
Chaplain	150 p.a. holding office during pleasure
Organist	125 p.a. holding office during pleasure
Choir	400
	<u>885</u>
Organ tuning	24
Light and heat	24
Sundries, music	10
	<u>£959</u> [<i>sic</i> : miscast or omission?]

The total number attending the services this term was 132. The Preacher has offered to take the entire responsibility for the services and so release the Chaplain, thus on a yearly basis saving £150.

Notwithstanding the small congregations attending the Chapel services the Committee recommend their continuance, though again experimentally, to the end of Trinity Term dispensing as from Christmas with the services of the Chaplain, thus diminishing the expenses by £150. Their main reasons are as follows.

(a) Unless financial or War conditions make it absolutely necessary, it seems inconsistent with the quasi public position and long established principle of the Society to close the Chapel.

(b) Such closing would indicate a position inferior to the other Inns who are all keeping on their services.

(c) This year's budget expenses for the Chapel (£950) were not excessive when compared with other items such as wine at £1324, garden £900 or library £2104, and a reduction to £800 is a substantial reduction.

(d) The Chapel services have gained greatly in attraction since the coming of the present Organist, and the evacuation of the choir boys leaves the Chapel in a very advantageous musical position, as compared for instance with the Temple Church. If once dispersed it might be difficult to collect so good a combination of organist and choir.

(e) As the War progresses and casualties increase the religious urge will almost certainly become greater and a time when its services may be most valued does not seem the right time to close the Chapel unless experience definitely shows that the services are quite unneeded. [pp. 304, 305]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

Recommended the following re-arrangements of the duties and pay of the Porters (consequent upon four of them serving in H.M. Forces) suggested by the Under Treasurer be approved.

Memorandum as to the Porters

The following have been mobilised and are serving in H.M. Forces

The Chief Porter (Warren)	weekly wages	£3
Master of the Night Watch (Keogh)		£3
Supernumerary Porter (Freestone)		£2.10
Supernumerary Porter (Marvin)		£2.10
		<u>£11</u>

As in each case their pay and allowances equal or exceed their wages no payment has been made to them. Their places have not been filled except that Mr. Robert Marriott has been acting as Master of the Night Watch since September 4th and has been paid £3 per week.

The loss of the Chief Porter and the two supernumerary porters has thrown a great strain on the remainder of the staff, and made the duties very difficult to arrange. The Chief Porter is on duty from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. with two hours off in the afternoon and it is only possible for a man living on the premises to work those hours. Since Warren was called up on the December 8th, Edwards the New Square Porter has acted as Chief Porter from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. on week day, and from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Sundays. He has been relieved at 5 p.m. and on Saturdays and Sundays by the Second Clerk (Mr. Coales) or the Third Clerk (Mr. Pilkington). They find, however that this duty interferes so much with their domestic arrangements that they have asked to be excused from doing it. Warren who is at present stationed at Chatham gets home most nights and has been giving relief to whoever may be on duty in the evening from time to time. His ship is being prepared for sea and it is uncertain how soon it will sail.

It is suggested that the duties be re-arranged as follows

Acting Chief Porter

Edwards (New Square Porter) 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Thursday. 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. Friday. 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday. Sunday free.

Hearne (supernumerary porter) 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Monday to Thursday. Friday free. 1 p.m. to 10 p.m. Saturday. 7 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday.

Acting Master of the Night Watch

Mr. Robert Marriott 10p.m. to 7a.m. each day except Friday when 9 p.m. to 7 a.m. with Thursday free when Hearne will act as Master of the Night Watch.

This would give Edwards 60 hours a week, Hearne 53 hours and Mr. Robert Marriott 55 hours. It is suggested that Edwards be paid £3.5. per week without any extra duty pay and Hearne £3 per week; that another supernumerary porter be engaged to replace Hearne and that the wages of the supernumerary porters be increased to £2.15. per week. This would cost £5.10 per week, but would still show a saving of £2.10 per week on the total pre-war wages paid to the porters. [pp. 306, 307]

[The Finance Committee made these further recommendations]

Approved the report of the Building Committee with the following addition: "That the allowances be not granted except on application by the claimant and that the rate of 75 p.c. is to be treated as a general rule, but the Committee is to be free to make such greater or less allowance in any particular case as they may consider to be justified by the circumstances."

That the Inn increase the donation of £22.5.- which they have already made to provide materials for the use of the party of Lady Residents in Lincoln's Inn who are working for the Red Cross to £50.

Recommended that the report of the Chapel Committee be adopted. [pp. 307, 308]

Treasurer: Francis Henry Launcelot Errington, C.B.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 24 Sir Arthur Underhill
2. June 20 Theobald Mathew
3. November 11 Sir Alfred Hopkinson, K.C.
4. November 30 Lucius Widdrington Byrne

Biographical notes

1. Underhill. b.1850. Senior Conveyancing Counsel of the Court. Leading member of the Departmental Committee on Land Transfer which led to the Law of Property Act 1922. Memoirs: *Change and Decay* (1938). Commodore, Royal Cruising Club.

2. Mathew. b.1866. Recorder of Margate 1913-1927; of Maidstone 1927-1939. Humorist. Author of *Forensic Fables* (collected edition, 1961). Articles in the Law Quarterly Review.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Edward Gwynne Eardley Wilmot
 2. Not replaced
 3. Harold A.H. Christie, K.C.
 4. R.W. Turnbull, M.C.
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Council held on January 11th, 1940. [p. 309]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Read the following correspondence between the Treasurer and the Chaplain, the Rev. R.V.G. Tasker

4th November 1939 from the Treasurer: "As you know the services in our Chapel this term are of rather experimental nature. If we find there is practically no congregation to be served, we may have to come to the conclusion that services should be suspended, and in that case in the interests of economy we might also have to dispense with the Chaplaincy. Personally I much hope that no such situation will arise, but the Benchers thought I should give you early notice of the possibility. I may add that our financial position in War time is by no means an easy one."

21st December 1939 from the Treasurer: "I much regret that following a recommendation of our Finance Committee the Council yesterday decided that in the interests of economy we must dispense with your services from this Christmas. I need hardly say that we came to that conclusion with reluctance as the Bench have much appreciated the way you have identified yourself with the life of the Inn. I personally hope that your connection with the Inn is rather suspended than severed."

26th December 1939 from the Chaplain: I quite understand the necessity imposed upon the Council of dispensing with the Chaplaincy in the present emergency though I need hardly add that I shall be very sorry to lose touch with the Inn. I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my thanks to yourself and the Benchers for the kindness and hospitality which I have received during my time with you. It has been a real privilege to be associated with the Inn." [pp. 310, 311]

Read the following report to the Treasurer from Dr. W.S. Russell Thomas, dated December 31st, 1939.¹ Re the First Aid Post.

At the end of the year I feel it my duty to write you a short report of the First Aid Post.

I returned from abroad with some difficulty after the French had mobilised, but succeeded in getting the Post in rough working order 4 days after the declaration of War. I then held a meeting as soon as possible of the volunteers I had enrolled at the mass meeting in the Old Hall the day Mr. Chamberlain went to Munich last year. They responded excellently, the meeting was well attended and I appointed them to their duties. Since, I have endeavoured to bring the Post up to a greater degree of efficiency. Of course it has its limitations in material and much has been improvised, but willing hands have made light work. In October I began

¹ William Stanley Russell Thomas (1896-1957) MA, MB, ChB (Cantab). Called to the Bar, Lincoln's Inn, July 1930. Active in National Liberal Party 1937-1955. MP (Lib. Nat.) County Borough of Southampton 1940-1945.

weekly demonstrations for those who would work in the First Aid Room in the event of an air attack, and by constant re-iteration I think I have made them grasp the essentials that would be required of them.

I have also set up a sewing and working party which meets weekly. These ladies have been invaluable in making swabs, many tailed bandages etc. I did this because I found it so difficult to fill up the gaps—even our blankets are home made. There have been 2 full dress rallies of Volunteers. On both occasions there was an excellent muster and with the runners brought in “mock” casualties to the First Aid Room, where they were “demonstrated” to the full party. Besides helping to make everyone accustomed to their duties the rallies serve to keep the Volunteers together. It is my intention, always of course assuming the permission of the Masters of the Bench, to continue the Classes, Working Party and Musters in the New Year. My object has been and is, to train the personnel so that the Post would run automatically and moderately efficiently during an air attack, even if I myself should be required during the year in a more active sphere of the War.

The Secretary of the Grand Lodge of England asked permission to send their chief workers to the Classes etc. This I allowed.

I do hope these details are not burdensome to you, but I felt that as a War-time activity of the Inn, which under certain conditions may become important, you should have some direct report from me.

The Treasurer was requested to write a letter of thanks. [*pp.* 311, 312]

Council held on January 31st, 1940. [p. 314]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [*pp.* 308, 312, 315]

Roger William Turnbull, M.C.

“Granted an application by Sir Reginald Rowe for the use of the Old Hall for a meeting of the National Federation of Housing Societies.” [*p.* 315]

“Read a communication from the Mayor of Holborn requesting that collection boxes for the Red Cross may be placed in the Inn. Ordered that this is not considered to be a convenient way in which to raise money for the fund in the Inn and that the application be refused.” [*pp.* 315, 316]

“That a grant of £15.15.— be made to Mr. Fairchild, the Chief Clerk, towards the cost of an operation which he has had to undergo.” [*p.* 316]

Adjourned Council held on March 5th, 1940. [p. 317]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [*pp.* 315, 318]

George Rivers Blanco White, K.C.

“Ordered that this Inn has no objection to the proposal of the Council of Legal Education to add the following new regulation to the Consolidated Regulations

"48A. During the present War the Council of Legal Education may modify, amend or suspend any of the provisions of the foregoing Regulations 19 to 33 inclusive in any case in which the Council may deem it expedient so to do."¹ [p. 317]

"Ordered that the standing Order allowing of the publication of a new Benchers only in the dining term be suspended and that the new Benchers be published so soon after his acceptance of the invitation to the Bench as may be convenient to the Treasurer and that he do so at lunch at the Bench in the meantime." [p. 318]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon consideration of an offer to sell to the Society Chambers on the 2nd and 3rd Floors South of No. 9 New Square the Committee recommend that an offer of £2000 be made.

Ordered that a further ten members of the staff attend the practical fire fighting exercise of the Holborn Borough Council at a cost of seven shillings and six pence per head and that three stirrup pumps be purchased one to be kept on each floor of the Hall Building

The Finance Committee were authorised to make such offer for the Chambers at 9 New Square as they may think fit. [pp. 318, 319]

"Ordered that no donation be made to the Red Cross Fund, inasmuch as any help the Inn think fit to give should be given to the Red Cross Workers in Lincoln's Inn." [p. 319]

Council held on April 2nd, 1940. [p. 320]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

"The Petition of F. Robitschek a Czechoslovakian subject for admission was not granted." [p. 320]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mr. Harvey Plant, M.C. Solicitor to this Honourable Society." [p. 320]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the deaths of Mr. H. Morley, the foreman painter, Mr. G. Briggs, the Upper Vestibule Porter and Mr. E.H. Ayton, late organ blower and a pensioner of this Honourable Society." [p. 321]

Council held on April 29th, 1940. [p. 322]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee subject as to the last item that there be an intimation that the Benchers will not see their way to make any further contribution.

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Read the Under Treasurer's report that the vendors of Chambers at 9 New Square have refused the offer of £2250 for the property.

¹ The Regulation was adopted by all the Inns.

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Ordered that the post of Upper Vestibule Porter, vacant consequent upon the death of George Briggs, be not filled for the present.

The Under Treasurer was authorised to engage a porter in place of Malyon Jnr. who is about to be called up for military duty.

Ordered that Mrs. Lee, the Library Laundress, who has had a stroke, and is not likely ever to be able to do her work here again, be given one months notice to terminate her employment with the Inn.

Recommended that the Council appoint Mr. Henry Ball of Messrs. Gregory Rowcliffe & Co. Solicitor to the Society.

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Upon considering the Budget for this year a sub-committee ... was appointed to consider what further economies can be made.

Recommended that a donation of £25 be made to provide materials for the party of lady residents in the Inn who are working for the Red Cross. [pp. 323, 324]

Council held on May 21st, 1940. [p. 325]

Seventeen Benchers present.

"Read the Under Treasurer's report that the Military Medal has been awarded to Sergeant Georges Lecointe a Barrister of this Honourable Society whilst acting as a French liaison agent with the Cheshire Regiment." [p. 325]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mrs. Lee, the Library Laundress." [p. 326]

"Granted permission for the time being for seven officers of the censorship department of the War Office at 23/27 Brook Street E.C.1 to lunch in Hall at the Barristers table and to use the Barristers Common Room." [p. 326]

Council held on June 10th, 1940. [p. 328]

Fifteen Benchers present.

"Refused with regret an application from the National Y.M.C.A. War Service Fund for a donation." [p. 330]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

The Under Treasurer was instructed to arrange that the Inspector of Taxes should be allowed to see the accounts of the Inn as requested in the Treasury Office.

Upon consideration of a report by Mr. A.M. Latter, K.C. re payments by the Inns of Court to the Council of Legal Education: Recommend to the Council to approach the three other Inns with a view to getting them to appoint a member of their respective Benchers to confer with Mr. Latter as the representative of this Honourable Society, for the purpose of considering and reporting to their respective Benches as to the desirability of joint action by the four Inns as to the formation of an Educational Trust.

The Under Treasurer was instructed to obtain further particulars of the offer of Mr. Walter G. Hart to sell to the Society his Chambers at 5 New Square.

The arrears of rent, £134.19.10, owing [by] Mr. Harry Farrer 4 Stone Buildings were ordered to be treated as a bad debt so far as the books of the Society are concerned, but not to release the debtor.

Upon consideration of the arrangements to be made when the Second and Third Clerks are called up for Military Service: The Committee authorised the Under Treasurer to inform Mr. Coales and Mr. Pilkington that they propose to consider each case as it arises with a view to preventing their wives from suffering disadvantage from their husbands' absence on military service and that in any case their places will be kept open. [pp. 330, 331]

Granted the following request of the Under Treasurer

I have been asked by the National Rifle Association if I will put my services as an Instructor in the accurate use of the service rifle at the disposal of the Local Organiser of the Local Defence Volunteers for as much of my spare time as I can possibly spare. As I think you know, during the whole of the last War I was an Instructor of the Bisley School of Musketry, and for over 40 years rifle and revolver shooting has been my chief sport.

The terms of my appointment as Under Treasurer provide "that the whole of my time be at the disposal of the Society, and that I shall not accept any outside office or work, whether paid or unpaid without the express consent of the Council".

I feel that my expert knowledge as an Instructor and Shot may be of some value at the present time, especially in giving lectures, and that it would be possible for me to give some time to this work without neglecting in any way my duties in the Inn. May I therefore have permission to offer my services to General Sir Cecil Pereira who is in command of the Local Defence Volunteers for London, and if found necessary to have the use of the Old Hall for lectures and instruction. [pp. 331, 332]

"The Treasurer was authorised to permit the use of the Library to any lawyer of an allied country for whom the Ambassador of his country requests the privilege." [p. 332]

Council held on July 23rd, 1940. [p. 333]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee

Ordered that no decorations to chambers be done this year unless absolutely necessary.

That the dump of old iron and the old gun at the north end of the Garden be sold through the usual channels.

That two iron stretchers for the First Aid Post be purchased at a cost not to exceed £5. [p. 334]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

The following facts and figures were brought to the attention of the Committee

1. The Chapel expenditure in 1938 was £1000, in 1939 £940, for this year the estimated expenditure was £800. It will in fact be considerably less. Up to date it is £477 (including one memorial service) and if the services are continued for the four Sundays in Michaelmas Term the total expenditure for the year will be £690.
2. The total number attending this year up to date is 850, averaging per Sunday 54 against 34 in Michaelmas Term last year.
3. The Chaplain's services were dispensed with at the beginning of the year, the Preacher having generously volunteered to take the entire services without further remuneration. During the month of April when he was retained at St. Pauls he agreed that substitutes should be remunerated by deduction from his own salary, and he has now voluntarily agreed to waive his salary for the quarter 24th June to the 29th September.
4. Although the average attendance at the Chapel services is not large the Committee recommend their continuance during the next term subject to the discretion of the Treasurer to suspend them if circumstances require.

Their reasons are

- (a) Unless financial or war conditions make it absolutely necessary, it seems inconsistent with the quasi public position and long established principles of the Society to close the Chapel.
- (b) Such closing would indicate a position inferior to the other Inns who are still maintaining their services.
- (c) The Chapel services have gained greatly in attraction since the coming of the present Organist; and the admirable choir he has trained has placed the Chapel in a very advantageous musical position even as compared with the Temple Church. A stoppage would presumably mean dispensing with the services of the Preacher and the Organist, and certainly the dispersal of the choir; circumstances which would gravely affect the re-opening of the Chapel.
- (d) The spiritual no less than the material issues of this War affect the nation at large and it would seem to be a time rather for opening than closing a place of worship.
- (e) Even though in itself a circumstance of minor importance the existence of the after Chapel lunches gives individual Benchers and their ladies an opportunity of meeting in friendly intercourse from which they would in present circumstances otherwise be disbarred.
- (f) It should be noted that even if closed some expenditure on the Chapel would still be necessary such as organ maintenance estimated at £24 per annum and the general maintenance and at least occasional heating of the building. Memorial services if held would be reduced to the severest simplicity. [*pp.* 334-336]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee.

The Under Treasurer reported that Mr. W.G. Hart had withdrawn his offer to sell to the Society his Chambers at No. 5 New Square.

Approved the report of the sub Finance Committee appointed to consider what economies can be made viz.

The Librarian reported that he expects a further saving of £100 on the budget estimate for the year and a possible saving in salaries if members of the Library staff are called up.

The Building Committee reported a probable reduction in expenditure by the refusal to do any re-decorations which are not absolutely necessary of £400.

The Chapel Committee reported a probable reduction of their budget estimate of £800 to £690.

The Kitchen Committee reported a probable reduction of their budget estimate by £400.

The foreman painter and the Upper Vestibule porter who have both died are not being replaced.

Approved the Under Treasurer's action in engaging Mrs. H.G. Davey as a temporary typist and clerk at a wage of £3 per week and lunch. The appointment can be terminated by a week's notice. [p. 336, 337]

"The Under Treasurer reported that in compliance with the Government Order the curfew has not been rung since 12th June last." [p. 337]

"Granted an application by H.M. Inspector of Taxes to be allowed occasional reference to the Library." [p. 337]

Adjourned Council held on October 16th, 1940. [p. 338]

Seventeen Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Inner Temple of an Order: That the most grateful thanks of the Benchers of the Inner Temple be given to the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn for their courtesy and kindness in offering them the hospitality of their Inn in the emergency caused by the barbaric acts of the enemy." [p. 338]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

"Upon considering what allowances shall be made to members of the staff who have been called up for military service Ordered that until further order there be paid to Mr. Cornford, Mr. Pilkington, Mr. Coales and Mr. Beavan the difference between [(a)] their Army pay, wives and dependants allowances from time to time plus £35 and (b) their annual salaries.

"The Treasurer was authorised to consult and/or employ an architect or surveyor should occasion arise temporarily." [p. 339]

Read a report dated 30th September 1940 of the Emergency Committee which began by presenting the following report from the Under Treasurer

Intense bombing started on the night of 8th September when a large oil incendiary bomb fell in Lincoln's Inn Fields about 50 yards from my bedroom window. Huge fragments of the case were hurled against the garden wall but though most terrifying no damage was done.

The next night at 1.30 a.m. a 1000 lb. high explosive bomb wrecked Lincoln House, High Holborn. This is the house north of Nos. 1 and 2 Stone Buildings. I was in my office at the time with my wife and son; the building rocked, the windows were blown in and the room smothered with soot. Half an hour later a second bomb fell on the same spot which caused casualties amongst the Wardens, Ambulance and Rescue Parties, and it is feared that there were many casualties in the shelters under the house. The corner of Great Turnstile and other buildings in Holborn and the Post Office in Chancery Lane (the property of the Inn) were hit and much glass has been broken in all parts of the Inn. Window frames, doors and ceilings have suffered badly but no serious structural damage appeared to have been caused.

Constant raids have since caused damage to surrounding property, but until 1.30 a.m. on 25th September when about 60 incendiary bombs were dropped in the Inn, nothing outstanding happened. We fought the bombs by every possible means, but one lodged behind the eaves of 13 Old Square and was not discovered until flames came through the roof. The top floors of 13 and 14 Old Square were burnt out.

A serious fire was started on the roof of No. 6 Stone Buildings which spread northwards as far as No. 3. The top floors have been burnt out and the rest of the building seriously damaged by water.

Amongst those who worked so hard and well during this night I must mention my son Robert who is acting Night Master, Mr. Dodd a solicitor, Mr. Fitzmaurice a journalist and two members of the A.F.S. who between them saved the Old Hall, Old Buildings and New Square from destruction by fire. All your staff did their utmost to meet the crisis.

During the same night the whole of the block of buildings on the east side of Chancery Lane from Southampton Buildings to the Chancery Lane Safe Deposit was burnt out, leaving walls standing in a dangerous condition. On Saturday 28th September I was informed that demolition work would be carried out during the weekend, two small attempts having been made on the previous evening without result. I informed the police that I would not accept responsibility for the safety of residents, but that my porters would give them every assistance possible. The first explosion caused great damage to Stone Buildings and Old Square. I was working in my office at the time and one of my windows was blown in, the glass falling a few inches from me, but I was not hurt. I at once protested to Mr. Adams, the District Surveyor, who was in charge of the operations. He informed me that he was acting under "High Authority" and intended to proceed. I then phoned Holborn Authorities and the Police, who both informed me that the matter was in the hands of the London County

Council and nothing to do with them. I was unable to contact the London County Council by phone, so wrote the following letter which I sent down by hand marked "very urgent".

Demolition work in Chancery Lane

I protest strongly on behalf of the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of this Honourable Society at the damage which has been done during the last hour by the two explosions which have caused thousands of pounds of damage in the Inn. Mr. Scott the Officer in charge informs me that he proposes to continue blasting tomorrow, and I request that he be ordered to stop.

Blasting was continued on Sunday morning, and caused further serious damage to Stone Buildings and Old Square. I then went to Major Rose the Officer Commanding the Home Guard, and, pointing out to him that the next explosion would probably further damage the Drill Hall, requested him to order his men out and stop the proceedings by force. I phoned the Holborn Authorities and the Police and informed them what I had done. Major Rose paraded his men with truncheons and this brought matters to a head, as, after he was allowed to explode one small charge, Mr. Scott undertook not to explode any more of the Chancery Lane Front.

The damage caused in the Inn by this demolition work far exceeds, in my opinion, that caused by enemy action, and was proceeded with in spite of the most vigorous protests from me to every official I could get in touch with.

On Sunday I placed the Barristers Common Room at the disposal of residents whose flats had been rendered uninhabitable, and my bath rooms and lounge were also much used by them.

The action of the Under Treasurer was approved [by the Emergency Committee] and the following letter was directed to be sent [by the Under Treasurer] to the Clerk to the London County Council.

I am instructed by the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn to write to you on the subject of the very serious damage done to their property by the use of explosives in the demolition work in Chancery Lane on the 28th and 29th September 1940.

They understand that this work was carried out by and under the control of the London County Council. It resulted in damage which far exceeded that caused by the enemy action which preceded the demolition. The Honourable Society consider that the work was carried out so as to cause quite unnecessary damage to their property, and desire to give you notice at once that they must hold the Council responsible. The Honourable Society are having the damage surveyed and will communicate with you again when the survey has been completed. They assume that no further demolition work will be carried out by explosives in such a way as to

cause further damage to life and property, and would be glad to have your immediate assurance on this point.

Mr. Cornford, our Surveyor, having been called up, Mr. Cuthbert Lake of 9 Stone Buildings has been employed to survey the damage done in the Inn. With the approval of the Emergency Committee he has arranged for Messrs. Thurman and White to remove the debris of the burnt out roof of 13 and 14 Old Square, and to proceed with such form of protection of the building from wind and weather as can be provided in the conditions of restriction upon timber and other materials. Except from damage by water and broken windows, the ground, first and second floors of these houses appear to have escaped serious damage. Nos. 3 to 6 Stone Buildings have lost the roof, and are sodden with water which the Fire Brigade had to play on the Building for about 24 hours. The balustrading has been destroyed, though still standing and dangerous. Messrs. Trollope and Colls have accepted instructions to carry out the necessary works.

At 4.30 a.m. on the 2nd October, three H.E. bombs were dropped, one just inside the garden of Lincoln's Inn Fields on the West side, one in the middle of the roadway of Lincoln's Inn Fields on the West side about 50 yards further North, and one in Kingsway. The explosions shook the Hall Building and caused some alarm to those sleeping there.

The Under Treasurer was called in to receive the thanks of the Bench and their warm appreciation of his services in the recent difficult times and of those of his son. [*pp.* 339–344]

[Two further reports were before Council at this meeting by Major Rose of the Home Guard and by Mr. Robert Marriott, the Acting Night Master.]

A Special Committee was appointed consisting of the Treasurer [and three other Benchers] to deal with the question of the damage to the Inn's property and the special rights in respect thereof and any action to be taken thereon. [*p.* 344]

"The Second and Third Clerks having been called up, the Under Treasurer asked for further assistance in the Office as he feels that the Office work which will be caused by the above disaster will be more than he and the First Clerk will be able to manage.

Ordered that Mr. Cyril Marriott be engaged as a temporary assistant in the Under Treasurer's Office at five guineas per week." [*p.* 349]

"Read the report of the Under Treasurer that the picture 'Milo of Cretona' has been returned to the Inn through Mr. Adams of the National Portrait Gallery. Ordered the picture be retained in safe custody." [*p.* 349]

"Ordered that the Chapel Committee be authorised to make such alteration if any in the way of suspension of the Chapel services or otherwise as they may decide. This Council without binding the Chapel Committee is of the opinion that the services should be suspended for the present." [*pp.* 349, 350]

Council held on November 4th, 1940. [p. 350]

Fifteen Benchers present.

Officers for 1941: [p. 362]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Viscount Maugham.

Master of the Library: Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Atkinson.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Viscount Hailsham.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Sir George Lowndes, K.C.S.I., or in the event of his refusing to take office, His Honour Owen Thompson, K.C.

Read a communication from Gray's Inn of an Order offering the members of Lincoln's Inn the courtesy of its Library. The Under Treasurer was instructed to write to the Under Treasurer of Gray's Inn requesting him to convey to the Masters of the Bench of Gray's Inn the thanks of this Honourable Society. [p. 351]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Canon Vernon Faithful Storr, late a Preacher to this Honourable Society. The Treasurer was requested to write to Mrs. Storr expressing the regret and sympathy of the Masters of the Bench and the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Clauson was appointed to represent this Honourable Society at the Memorial Service which is to be held in Westminster Abbey on Thursday next. [p. 351]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

Resolved that the Sunday services in the Chapel, including the Warburton Lecture be suspended until further order.

Recommended to the Finance Committee that the stipends of the Preacher and the Organist be paid until the end of December and that thereafter they be invited to assent to an arrangement whereby, during the suspension of the Sunday services, they each be paid half his stipend, on the understanding that they will officiate at any Memorial Service without further payment.

MEM: The Preacher and the Organist have assented. [pp. 351, 352]

Adopted the following report of a joint meeting of the Finance and Building Committees

The recommendation of the Chapel Committee (see above) was approved

Resolved that Students be exempted from keeping Michaelmas Term on payment of the fee before the end of the term.

A request by the manager of "The Statesman" for leave to build a shelter in the gardens of the Inn was refused.

A report on air raid damage to the Inn by Mr. Cuthbert Lake was considered. Mr. Lake attended the meeting and explained the report. The Committee authorised the carrying out of the following work on the advice of Mr. Lake that such work was essential.

1. Stone Buildings Nos. 3, 4, 5 & 6. Clear the top floors and asphalt them so as to be waterproof with all necessary boarding over—turning them into a temporary roof of the buildings. Anticipated expenditure about £1200.
2. Stone Buildings Nos. 1 & 2. Approve expenditure already incurred in repairing roof and filling in windows. Estimated that £100 had been spent on this work.
3. Stone Buildings Nos. 3, 4, 5 & 6. Stone balustrade to be removed where deemed advisable and stored.
4. Stone Buildings Nos. 8, 10 & 11. Essential roof repairs
5. Stone Buildings No. 9. Take out and remove dangerous brickwork.
6. 13 & 14 Old Square. Clear top floors and make waterproof pending replacement of roof.
7. 11A New Square. Remove dangerous material.
8. Great Hall. Strip roof, construct asphalt roof, as at Gray's Inn. Estimated cost £1100 to £1200.
9. Library and Benchers rooms. Redress lead roof, estimated cost £200.
10. Windows of Great Hall, Library and Rooms to be filled in in the cheapest way.
11. Old Hall. Make good tiling.

Resolved that the tenants of 11 New Square be notified that the building is unsafe.

Resolved that the Committee of Proprietors of New Square be called together forthwith.

The Treasurer and five other named Benchers were appointed a committee with power to deal with emergencies created by enemy action and authorise necessary expenditure. Three members to be a quorum.

Council approved the last item "subject to the amendment that two members shall form a quorum and that the Under Treasurer be authorised to act on instructions from one member in cases of real emergency. [*pp.* 352, 353]

Among the correspondence before Council at this meeting relating to the Society's claim for compensation for War damage was a letter from the Society's solicitor to the District Valuer which included the following information

"You have received . . . the Form of Claim . . . in respect of the damage to the property of the Inn caused by enemy action on the 9th, 25th, 28th and 29th September and the 8th and 10th October 1940. Further damage has occurred since the 10th October. . . ." [*p.* 356]

Special Council held on November 14th, 1940. [*p.* 363]

Nineteen Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Viscount Maugham

....

My hesitation as to accepting the Honourable Office of Treasurer of the Inn, so delightful in peace-time, is due to my fear that I may not be able

adequately to perform the duties which may fall upon the Treasurer next year in the uncertain and distressing circumstances of War. Moreover I have my work at Westminster, and I wish to continue my attendance at the House of Lords debates during the War.

But one never knows the future. I should have pleasure in accepting the office on this understanding, that if I find I cannot give sufficient time to it to enable me to perform the duties of the office to my own satisfaction, I should then be entitled to retire.

I do not want to put the Council in any difficulty, and I recognise that if I should retire my successor might be prejudiced. If then the Council would prefer me to take the course of declining this Honourable Office, I shall be quite ready to do so, and of course I shall not feel in the least aggrieved.

Please communicate this letter to my fellow Benchers, with my apology for causing any difficulty in the matter.

Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to convey to Lord Maugham the great regret of his fellow Benchers that he feels unable to accept without conditions the Office of Treasurer for the year 1940.¹ [*pp.* 364, 365]

Ordered that the following be Officers for 1941

Treasurer: Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.C.

Master of the Library: Mr. Justice Atkinson

Dean of the Chapel: Viscount Hailsham.

Read the following communication from the Rt. Hon. Sir George Lowndes, K.C.S.I.

I am much honoured by my election as Master of the Walks, but I am afraid I am too old now to accept office. I must therefore with great regret decline the honour which my brother Benchers have proposed to confer upon me.

and the following from His Honour Owen Thompson, K.C.

I am much honoured by the Order of the Council of 4th November last, but having now retired from the Bench and residing permanently at Burnham on Crouch, whence I have been, as it were, evacuated to this remote village, it would be impossible for me to fill the Office of Master of the Walks. I could not attend any meetings of the Garden Committee, and an absent Chairman is worse than useless. My friends on the Council will, I know, appreciate with what deep regret I decline the honour, but I am bound to do so in the circumstances. I am glad to think however that there are others who can better and more worthily fill the Office.

Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to ask Judge Galbraith, K.C. whether he is willing to accept the office of Keeper of the Black Book and give the necessary time for performing the duties of the office. [*pp.* 365, 366]

¹ The Treasurer's letter in reply is cited in Heuston's *Lives of the Lord Chancellors* (1964) p. 567 where it is wrongly stated to have been written by the Under Treasurer.

Council held on November 25th, 1940. [p. 367]

Eleven Benchers present.

Read the following communication from Gray's Inn.

Your letter of the 5th inst. with regard to the use of Gray's Inn Library was read at a meeting of the Benchers held yesterday. My Benchers have gained the impression that owing to damage by enemy action, it is not possible to serve luncheons to your Members under conditions which are entirely comfortable. Accordingly they have made the following Order "that in view of the damage caused by enemy action to the Hall and House Premises of Lincoln's Inn, this Society do offer to the Members of Lincoln's Inn, the amenities of daily luncheon in its Hall."

The Treasurer was requested to express the thanks and appreciation of the Masters of the Bench and Ordered that a notice of the invitation be screened in Hall. [p. 367]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death [on November 9th] of the Right Honourable Neville Chamberlain, M.P., an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society." [p. 368]

Read the following communication from the Regional Commissioners

"... I am directed by the Regional Commissioners to say that it has now been decided that damage caused by the use of explosives in demolishing dangerous buildings under Defence Regulation 25 may be treated as ranking for compensation in the same way as war damage..." [p. 368]

Adjourned Council held on December 19th, 1940. [p. 375]

Fourteen Benchers present.

"The Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Luxmoore was elected Keeper of the Black Book for the year commencing 11th January 1941 and the Treasurer was requested to write to J.W. Manning, Esq. K.C. to enquire whether he is prepared to accept the office of Master of the Walks, and in the event of his declining to take office to invite Sir William Holdsworth, K.C. to do so." [p. 375]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Rt. Hon. Sir Harry Eve. The Treasurer was requested to write to a near relative saying that the Masters of the Bench are very wishful to hold a Memorial Service for him unless his relatives definitely object.

"The Treasurer was also requested to write a similar letter to the widow of the late Roger Turnbull, Esq. M.C." [p. 376]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

The Committee approved the recommendation of the Building Committee that the offer of Sir Giles Scott to accept a retaining fee of 150 guineas as set out in his letter to the Under Treasurer of which extracts follow

"I have been thinking over the question of my fees and have come to the conclusion that a retaining fee will be the best way of dealing with the

matter. I shall no doubt be called upon to give my opinion more frequently than under the conditions prevailing before the war; at the same time I realise the financial difficulties in which the Inn are placed. I suggest a fee of 150 guineas.

"My services for this would include advice and reports on any question involving aesthetic or archaeological considerations, as well upon important practical matters on which though strictly speaking in Mr. Lake's province, you would like to have my opinion.

"It would not include the preparation of drawings for any reconstructional work, which I suggest should be dealt with independently (should occasion arise). . ." [p. 376]

The following report of Mr. Errington and Mr. Riviere on the damaged pictures and engravings was adopted with the addition that the necessary steps be taken to preserve those engravings and etchings which have definitely a commercial value. The rest to be left to Mr. Errington and Mr. Riviere to take any steps with respect thereto that they may consider desirable.

Mr. Riviere has dealt mainly with the pictures, Mr. Errington with the prints.

Mr. Walker, the repairer, puts the cost of restoration (including coats of arms) at £1470 and necessary first aid repairs as to the pictures at £100 and as to the prints £200.

PICTURES

Of these he considers that only four require urgent attention consisting of single relining on a new canvas. These are

1. Admiral Edward Russell 1692. Half length in armour.
2. Sir Dudley Ryder. Full length.
3. Sir Fitzroy Kelly. Full length.
4. Unknown. Full length by Dance.

We recommend as to (1) that it be left as it is and cut down at some future time to Head and shoulders. As to (2) that it receive first aid. As to (3) that owing to its poor quality it be left unrepaired. We have a smaller better portrait of this subject. As to (4) that it receive first aid. The result would be an expenditure of £47 instead of £100.

PRINTS

There are 223 prints to be dealt with damaged by water or blast. Their intrinsic value for sale (except perhaps in America) is slight, but they form part of our collection, which as a collection of portraits of persons who have held judicial office is quite outstanding. So far as merit goes, among these 223 there are only about 22 by first class engravers and only 7 proofs. Some 60 represent members of Lincoln's Inn. The first aid

repairs would consist of removing from their wet and damaged frames for cleaning and drying and storing in a dry place. Frame repairs could be left to a future date. The very possible result of leaving them as at present will be spots of mildew arising from the wet paper absorbing resin and stains from the wood backing.

We imagine the Bench may not be willing to expend £200 on a luxury in view of the present position both in relation to finance and the possibility of further damage. There seem to be three courses available:

- (a) to do the repairs
- (b) to repair perhaps 50 of those most interesting owing to their subjects or being by really good engravers at a cost of say £50
- (c) to leave them as they are.

We recommend the last course although it may involve the disfigurement of many of them and so break up an interesting collection.

Firstly we have no room on our walls for the 400 or 500 engravings we own, and shall eventually have to take the less interesting out of their frames and keep them in portfolios where they will be seldom looked at.

Secondly engravings which have little merit as such but only an interest as portraits and seen in large numbers are uninteresting and indeed like all copies unsatisfactory.

Thirdly it would seem that at the present time we must make some sacrifice; and we think these prints would be the least. Nor are we satisfied that most of them will not survive or can be replaced at some future time. The backs have been drying rapidly and there are at present in many of them no sign of mildew.

The Librarian has been of much service in tracing out the members of Lincoln's Inn, and can provide dry quarters for the prints under the Library. [*pp.* 377-379]

"It was left to the Under Treasurer to fix the date for re-opening the Luncheon Room." [*p.* 379]

Treasurer: Roland Edmund Lomax Vaughan Williams, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

- 1. January 28 Sir (Henry) Chartres Biron
- 2. August 22 Rudolph Moritz, K.C.
- 3. December 10 Sir Harry Eve
- 4. December 17 Roger William Turnbull, M.C.

Biographical notes

- 1. Biron. b.1862. Metropolitan Police Magistrate 1906; Chief Magistrate 1920-1933. Appreciation in (1940) 89 L.J. News. 49.
- 2. Moritz. b.1878. Specialist in patent law.
- 4. Turnbull. b.1882. Chancery Bar.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. George Rivers Blanco White, K.C.
2. Not replaced
3. Henry Wynn Parry, K.C.
4. Wilfrid Fabian Waite

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Council held on January 13, 1941. [p. 380]

Fifteen Benchers present.

“Adopted the report of the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar dated 12th December 1940 which Resolved that during the present War there is no objection to the admission of a student *in absentia*, but a student so admitted should not be Called to the Bar without having made such personal attendance and study in this country as may be satisfactory to the Benchers of his Inn.” [p. 380]

“The Treasurer reported that Mr. Manning had informed him that he was unable to accept the Office of Master of the Walks but that Sir William Holdsworth has accepted.” [p. 381]

“Approved a donation of £20 to the Canon Vernon Storr Fund proposed by the Treasurer as a matter of urgency.” [p. 381]

Council held on January 31st, 1941. [p. 383]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Henry Wynn Parry, K.C. [pp. 376, 380, 381, 384]

Wilfrid Fabian Waite [pp. 376, 381, 384]

Harold Otto Danckwerts [pp. 381, 384]

Adjourned Council held on March 20th, 1941. [p. 385]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

“Read a communication from the Inner Temple that the Petitions of C.A. Vago, Hungarian citizen, and Walter Furth, German citizen, to be admitted to that Honourable Society were not granted.” [p. 386]

“Read the following communication from the Chairman of the Finance Committee of the Council of Legal Education.

“As it may be a convenience to the four Treasurers to know what is likely to be the amount payable by the Inns at the end of the year 1941 to make up the balance of the Council of Legal Education’s expenses, I have had an estimate prepared and am writing to inform you accordingly. The amount will probably be about £1000 divisible among the four Inns in proportion to the number of students called during the year... The amount has, of course, been calculated after taking into account the estimated receipts for entrance, lecture and examination fees, the standing

equal contributions of the Four Inns, and the amount receivable from the New Inn Fund for the purpose of legal education.

"The Four Inns may rest satisfied that every effort has been made to reduce the expenditure of the Council for the duration of the War. Although the full range of examinations and an effective series of lectures are being maintained, the expenditure for the current year will amount to less than one half the expenditure of a full year of peace time." [pp. 386, 387]

Read the letter sent to the Treasurer by Mr. Errington and contained in a report from the Library Committee to Council

"I should like to bring to your notice the work which the Librarian and his Assistant have voluntarily done, in addition to their ordinary duties, in connection with our engravings. Besides those sent to Mr. Walker were some 50 or 60 which were damp and dirty and would speedily have deteriorated. They took on the work of drying and cleaning them, and have carried it through so far as is possible to do it without expert assistance, most successfully. They have been placed in portfolios and are now with the rest of the prints removed from the Hall Gallery in one of the well warmed rooms under the Library." [pp. 387, 388]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee from which the following items are taken.

The Under Treasurer reported the resignation of Mrs. Sturman, the Chief Laundress, and that he had re-arranged her work amongst the other Laundresses, so that whilst giving them increase of wages the net result is a saving to the Society of £1.1.- per week.

The wages of the Acting Chief Porter, the Acting Master of the Night Watch and the Supernumerary Porters were increased 5/- per week each for the duration of the War, in view of War circumstances.

The wages of Hatherill, the Bar Waiter were increased to £2.10.- per week, and of Waiters Lewis and Bartley to £1.15.- per week each for the duration of the War, owing to War circumstances.

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Adopted the recommendation of Mr. Cuthbert Lake that he be allowed to replace the internal division wall at 9 Stone Buildings in brick, carrying the chimneys through the roof and thus make a permanent job of the work. Estimated extra cost £204.

Ordered that such members of the staff as can be employed as Fire-Watchers be given an allowance at the rate of 5/- per night served. [p. 388]

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Read the following report dated 6th March 1941 of the Discipline Committee

[The committee reported that information had been received that Robert Noel Hill, a barrister of the Inn had pleaded guilty at Sevenoaks Police Court to a charge of theft of a silver brandy flask and other articles, and had been

sentenced to two months hard labour. The committee ordered that he be given notice of a hearing on 6th March to consider the information which might involve the consequence of his being disbarred. The committee recorded that Mr. Hill did not appear and continued with these observations]

"The Discipline Committee feel some doubt as to the propriety of the practice of inviting members of the Council, other than the selected number, not to attend a meeting of the Council called to determine whether a member of the Society should or should not be disbarred or suspended, and requests that the Council should take the matter into consideration. It may be said that before so serious a step as disbarring or suspension is decided by the Council, the whole Council upon whom falls the duty, should be summoned to the meeting and not merely a selected few.

"Ordered that a Special Council be called to consider the case of Mr. Noel Hill and the report of the Discipline Committee thereon."¹ [*pp.* 389-391]

"It was resolved upon the Motion of the Treasurer that the following addition be made to the Consolidated Regulations, under the heading 'Special War Provisions' viz:

"47D. Notwithstanding anything in these Regulations contained the Masters of the Bench of any Inn, may, during the present War, call to the Bar any duly accredited Canadian, Australian, New Zealand or South African barrister of five years' standing without passing any examination or complying with any other of the requirements embodied in these Regulations, subject to the Masters of the Bench being satisfied as to his qualifications and subject to such conditions as the Masters of the Bench may think proper to impose.

"Ordered that the Treasurer have authority to agree to any slight alteration he may think desirable to meet the views of the other Inns." [*pp.* 391, 392]

[The other Inns all adopted the Regulation without alteration.]

The Council expressed its appreciation of the report dated 17th March 1941 from the Under Treasurer which had been circulated amongst the Benchers and its wish that similar reports be made from time to time. Extracts from the report follow.

I am glad to be able to report that no further major disasters have occurred in the Inn, though considerable damage has been caused in the neighbourhood, especially to the Temple and Gray's Inn, who have suffered more than this Inn. The hospitality of our Library has been offered to the other Inns, their libraries having been put out of action. Advantage has been taken of this and much appreciated.

As already reported, the chief damage in the Inn is that the top floors of 3, 4, 5 and 6 Stone Buildings and 13 and 14 Old Square have been burnt

¹ *Post*, p. 430.

out, 9 Stone Buildings partly demolished, 11 New Square so badly shaken that it is considered unsafe and has been evacuated, the slates and some of the masonry dislodged on the Hall roof, also the tiles of the roofs of Old Buildings. All the glass in the windows of the Hall and Library, and most of the windows in the Inn shattered, window frames and doors broken and ceilings brought down. The stained glass in the Chapel had been removed at the beginning of the War and stored in the wine cellars. That in the Old Hall is only slightly damaged. The roof on the west side of the Hall has been covered with asphalt, the slates in the east side re-placed, and the windows boarded up. It is now weather proof. Asphalt has been placed over the floors of the burnt out Chambers in Stone Buildings. This took a long time to do and in the meantime considerable damage was caused to the Chambers in these houses by rain which penetrated even to the basements. The roofs of 13 and 14 Old Square are being repaired, but considerable delay was experienced in obtaining the necessary permit and materials to do this work, and these houses have also suffered considerable damage from rain. No. 9 Stone Buildings is being repaired, the front is being re-built and the roof replaced.

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The Inn's claim for War damage will run into many thousands of pounds. These damages have caused many tenants to disclaim their leases, and with allowances made to members in respect of sub-tenants being away on military duties, has resulted in a reduction of the rent roll of approximately £10,000 p.a., i.e. one third.

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The Chapel committee were authorised to suspend services until further order, but the Chapel and Organ were repaired sufficiently to allow of Memorial Services being held for Mr. Justice Crossman and Mr. Roger Turnbull.

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The Barristers Refreshment Room has been used for luncheons since the Hall has been out of action, and several distinguished naval and military officers are allowed to lunch there. We serve on an average about 50 luncheons per day; although somewhat cramped, it has not been too uncomfortable, and your kitchen staff have done well. It is hoped to be able to use the Hall next term.

The lounge in the Under Treasurer's residence was placed at the disposal of the Benchers as a retiring room where coffee was served until the Drawing Room was made habitable. Most Councils and Committees are now held in the Drawing Room.

The number of calls to the Bar in absentia is far above normal owing to Students serving in H.M. forces or having returned to India, where the Council of Legal Education have arranged for examinations to be held. The number of new Students has declined almost to vanishing point, and

I find on inquiry that this is common to all the Inns. Several applications have however been received from overseas for admission in absentia.

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Since the Fire Prevention (Business Premises) Order 1941, I have organised a voluntary rota, in which Benchers, Barristers, Solicitors, their Clerks, Tenants, members of the Hall, Library, Kitchen, Works Department, Garden and Porters Staffs take their turn. We have in the Inn posts at Nos. 2, 5 and 9 New Square, manned each night by three watchers, one in the room over the Old hall by seven, one in the Works Department by two and one in the Hall by at least six. The Home Guard whose headquarters are at the Drill Hall have a standing picket of eight and on many occasions at least twenty. We have also an Auxiliary Fire Brigade, twenty two strong who are billeted at 7 Stone Buildings. All necessary fire fighting appliances have been provided by the Inn. In the event of a night raid I should be able to count upon the assistance of about forty men.

Many members of the Staff are serving in H.M. Forces. Where possible their places have not been filled, and their work is being done by those left. [pp. 392-396]

Adopted the following report of the Wine Committee

Recommended that the 1926 Champagnes be sold at not less than 180/- per dozen for the Krug and 190/- for the Pommery. Mem: we have 18 dozen and 3 Krug and 20 dozen Pommery, all loose in the bin.

Upon considering the notice of motion given by Mr. Linton Thorp, K.C. viz: "that port be served to Benchers in their Drawing Room after lunch without charge"

The Wine Committee, while reporting that there are ample stocks of port, see grave difficulties in adopting the proposition. [p. 396]

Council held on April 22nd, 1941. [p. 397]

Twenty Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Attorney General (Sir Donald Somervell) forwarding a copy of a letter he had sent to the High Commissioner for Canada on the subject of Canadian Barristers in England.

You (the High Commissioner) will remember writing to me on the 19th November 1940 on a suggestion that a limited number of Canadian Barristers might be given facilities to represent in certain cases members of the Canadian Forces in our Courts. I consulted the Lord Chief Justice on this point, and we both agreed that this could only be done if such barristers were called to the English Bar. We therefore got into communication with the Treasurers of the different Inns of Court, and each Inn has now passed a "war" regulation in the terms which I enclose. In putting this matter before the Inns for their consideration, the Lord Chief Justice and I told them that the call to the Bar was not required, and would not be used, for general practice but was simply for the limited purpose as explained to

us by General Montague, namely the defence in certain cases of members of the Canadian Forces who may be charged with offences in our Courts and that such barristers would be instructed by an English solicitor in the ordinary way. General Montague told me that he thought two or three might be sufficient, but as there are four Inns of Court, if four suitable Canadian barristers were available it might be appropriate if General Montague submitted one name to each Inn.

I understand that the Inns would be prepared to waive the charges which they normally exact on call in view of the limited purpose and time for which the rights of a barrister are required. I also got into touch with the Treasury as there are certain stamp duties normally exigible, to see whether the Chancellor of the Exchequer felt able to agree to a waiver to these charges, I also explained to him the limited purpose for which the call was required, and in view of this he has given authority for the fee to be waived.

I am glad that those concerned have been able to agree to this procedure. You will no doubt be letting General Montague know, and he can get in touch with the Treasurers of the different Inns.

Major General Montague wrote to each Treasurer referring to the above letter and continuing as follows.

Accordingly I now request that I be advised as to what evidence will be required to establish that the officer whose name I propose to submit to your Inn for consideration is a "duly accredited barrister of five years standing."

I may say that the Law Society of each Canadian province is the governing body which issues certificates as to an individual being qualified to practise at the Bar of such province. Is it desired that the certificate of the Law Society under the hand of an officer thereof and its seal be produced, or will a cable from the Minister of Justice for Canada, containing the necessary information, be accepted?

The Treasurer was requested to get in touch with the other Treasurers with a view to coming to an agreement upon what would be satisfactory evidence that the gentleman to be called to the Bar under the new Consolidated Regulation 47D is "a duly accredited Canadian Barrister of five years standing", and to suggest that the most practical and satisfactory evidence would be a certificate under the hand of the High Commissioner of Canada that the gentleman proposed, is, and has been for not less than five years, a Canadian Barrister of good standing and reputation duly qualified to practice in the Canadian Courts. [*pp.* 397-400]

Read the following communication:

"At a meeting of the General Council of the Bar of the Province of Quebec held at Sherbrooke on the 25th January 1941 at which were present The Honourable Wilfrid Girouard K.C. Batonnier of the Province of Quebec [and 24 others] It was proposed by Mr. W.F. Chipman K.C. and seconded

by Mr. Francis Fauteux K.C. and unanimously resolved:— That we send our warmest greetings to our brethren of the legal profession in Great Britain. The noble devotion and courage of their countrymen in which they share are costing them the loss of ancient temples and halls of hallowed associations but are building new and imperishable treasuries of faith, fellowship and freedom that will have in the victory to come still more precious and enduring homes of peace.”

Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to write acknowledgment. [p. 400]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

An application for an increase of salary by Mr. Ringrose the Assistant Librarian, was refused.

The following servants of the Society were granted an increase of 5/- per week each for the duration of the war, in view of war circumstances

G. Fisher	The Chief Butler
A. Hart	Second Butler
J. Leggett	Usher of the Hall
A. Mead	Kitchen Superintendent
D. Beckford	Chef
W. Mace	Assistant Cook
A. Seiver	Vegetable Cook
F. Bartons	Porter
C. Deverell	Porter
G. Bell	Acting Lower Vestibule Porter
A. Skinley	Common Room Attendant
O. R. Taylor	Lavatory Attendant
E. Wallington	Assistant Gardener

The Lower Vestibule Porter H. Ancil has been discharged from the Army medically unfit and was re-engaged at an increased wage of 5/- per week.

E. Bennett, the electrician, who is in the Navy, was granted an allowance of 15/- per week to be paid to his mother as from the beginning of the year.

The Under Treasurer having reported to the Wine Committee that during the past abnormal six months he had taken from the cellars for his own use 5 doz Whisky, 1½ doz Gin and 6 doz sherry, and requested to be allowed to adjust the matter by paying the price at which the Society purchased, The Wine Committee referred the matter to the Finance Committee with the recommendation that the Under Treasurer make no payment in respect of the above.

The recommendation of the Wine Committee was adopted and it was referred to the Wine committee to consider what regulations should be laid down as to taking wine from the wine cellar, and periodical checks as to stocks and consumption.

MEM: It should be noted that these wines and spirits were used almost entirely for the benefit of the Fire Fighters and those tenants who took refuge

in the basement of the Hall during the bombing of London at a time of great stress. N.Y. M[arriott, Under Treasurer] [*pp.* 402, 403]

Read the following report of the Acting Night Master on the events of the night of 16th/17th April.

The "Alert" sounded at 2103 hours and on visiting the various posts I found (except in one case to which I will refer later) everything ready. Shortly afterwards a heavy barrage commenced and it was obvious that a raid in force was taking place on London. For several hours, however, nothing occurred close to the Inn, though many fires could be seen starting in the middle distance and the whole place was lighted up by flares which the enemy seemed to be using in especially large numbers.

At about 0130 hours two flares dropped exactly over New Square but were shot out by machine gun fire when about five hundred feet up. At about 0210 hours incendiaries fell in the Inn (a subsequent check made the exact number twenty-one) and the following buildings were hit:— 19 Old Buildings, 9 Old Square and 6 and 11 Stone Buildings. In view of the extreme vulnerability of Old Buildings (the A.F.S. had previously warned me that if this block once properly caught alight it would probably be impossible to save either it or the Old Hall) I went there personally with Acting Chief Porter Hearn and one of the A.F.S. men. The set of chambers involved was that formerly occupied by Miss F. White, and despite your orders that all empty sets must be left unlocked we had to break in the door. Fortunately I had brought a heavy axe with me and we were able to get the bomb out before it had done any real damage. I think I should mention that an A.F.S. crew had wonderfully quickly manhandled an appliance into position outside and actually had a branch playing before we had finished upstairs.

Meanwhile the A.F.S. and Fire Watchers were dealing with No. 9 Old Square and the Home Guard with Nos. 6 and 11 Stone Buildings. They reported that everything had been got under control and I therefore left those houses to them while I checked up for possible casualties. I am glad to say that apart from one or two who had entirely superficial cuts and bruises there were none in the Inn, either at this stage or later. Two ladies were however brought in from Cursitor Street Shelter suffering from shock. I arranged with No. 10 Post that they should take care of them and sent them across in charge of Library Porter Green.

The next hour was, from our point of view, the most trying of the whole raid. Fires, some of them very big ones, had been started all round us and the enemy started to unload high explosives in real earnest. There was nothing we could actually do and although I sent as many of the Fire Watchers as I dared under a certain amount of cover, it was necessary to keep a sharp look out for incendiaries, especially as by this time all our A.F.S. appliances had been called elsewhere and I had been warned that the available water supply was proving quite inadequate to the terrific calls that were being made on it.

At 0355 hours the Police reported a delayed action bomb had fallen in Chester house (the corner of Chancery Lane and Cursitor Street) and ordered the evacuation of tenants in certain parts of Old Buildings. Acting Chief Porter Hearn and I accordingly warned several tenants. At 0440 hours however the Police reported that the bomb in question had been dealt with.

At 0455 the All Clear sounded and with the assistance of Mr. Dodd I made a hurried search of the Inn and made a preliminary report to Post 10. At 0550 hours the gas pressure failed and the electric light went dead but as it was then full daylight we were able to manage easily with hurricane lamps in the darker passages and permanently blacked out rooms. I then in company with Mr. Dodd, made a detailed search and was relieved to be able to confirm my previous impression that the Inn itself had suffered no real damage. We did however find that the fire in the roof of 9 Old Square was just breaking out again. This we got under [control] with the aid of chemical extinguishers. I later warned the day staff to check up in case of a further outbreak.

I would particularly bring to your notice the conduct of Acting Chief Porter Hearn who did excellent work and showed great initiative. This is by no means the first time that this man has turned out whilst not actually on duty (he sometimes sleeps in the Inn) and rendered valuable help. Supernumerary Porter Smith (also not on duty) Porters Onley, Taylor and Library Porter Green worked cheerfully and well. Several residents and tenants including Captain Stott and Messrs Baker, Dodd and Theis were most active wherever they thought they could be of most assistance.

The one "regrettable incident" of the whole night was the marked disinclination of three gentlemen who were volunteer Fire Watchers at Messrs. Hunters, 9 New Square, to turn out. Between the Alert and 0100 hours I visited them on three occasions and each time they were either reading or lying on their beds. The third time I warned them that their conduct [would] be mentioned in my report to you. I did not visit them again but Mr. Dodd kept a special watch on New Square during active trouble. It is only fair to add that the other Fire Watching Posts were properly and efficiently manned during the entire period of the Alert. [pp. 403-406]

Special Council held on May 1st, 1941. [p. 407]

Treasurer and four other Benchers present.

The Petitions for Call to the Bar and the qualifications of the following gentlemen were considered and their calls moved: Mohammed Fazlur Rahman, Compton William Morris, Lars Ulric Borenus and Nico Bloc.

Ordered that the note on the Benchers undertaking to move the Call of a Student to the Bar be altered to read as follows:

"Benchers are reminded that before undertaking to move the Call of a Student to the Bar it is essential that they should either see the Student personally or that they should satisfy themselves that the Student is a fit and proper person to be called to the Bar; and further that it is necessary

to attend the Special Council to move the Call or to inform the Treasurer of their inability to attend and invite him to move the Call in their place." [p. 407]

Special Council held on May 1st, 1941. [p. 408]

Treasurer and eleven other Benchers present.

"Ordered that Robert Noel Hill be and he is hereby Disbarred and Expelled from this Honourable Society; and that notice of this Order be given to the said Robert Noel Hill and in due course to the other Inns of Court and to the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature and that it be screened in Hall."¹ [p. 408]

Council held on May 19th, 1941. [p. 409]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

"Upon consideration of a recommendation of the Library Committee It was Ordered that the most valuable books and papers, silver, pictures and the Black Books be removed to a place or places of greater safety, that a duplicate set of the Law Reports be purchased and dealt with in the same way, and that as many books and papers as possible not in general use, be removed to lower stories in the building. The following were appointed a sub-committee to deal with removal: The Treasurer, the Master of the Library, Viscount Maugham, Lord Justice Luxmoore and Mr. Vaisey." [p. 409]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee:

Upon reading a communication from the Chairman, Borough of Holborn War Savings Publicity Committee re War Weapon Week in the Borough of Holborn, the Under Treasurer was directed to reply expressing sympathy with the movement and regret that the Society, owing to the war has no funds to assist pecuniarily.

Upon considering the report of the Acting Night Master on the events of the night 16th/17th April last. Ordered that Hearn be given £3. Smith, Onley, Taylor and Green £2 each and the Acting Night Master a piece of silver suitably inscribed not exceeding £5.

Upon considering a communication from Messrs. Hunters 9 New Square asking for a contribution towards their expenses in respect of Fire Watching Nos. 7 to 11 New Square we offered to pay our proper proportion of the capital expenditure, and of the current expenses, other than the £7.10 for professional fire watching at the week end, as to which we offered to pay on the basis of 30/- instead of £7.10. [p. 410]

"Read communications from Lieut. Col. Sir Thomas Moore, C.B.E., M.P. and Major G.K. Rose, M.C. asking permission for members of the Home Guard to play football and other games in the Garden. Lord Justice Luxmoore and Mr. Justice Morton were requested to interview Major Rose on the matter and report to the Treasurer who may act accordingly" [p. 410]

¹ See *ante*, p. 423.

Council held on June 10th, 1941. [p. 411]

Twenty Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee. [*pp.* 411, 412]

The resignation of the Chief Butler, Mr. G.A. Fisher, was received with regret. Ordered that a letter be written to him expressing the regret of the Society and thanks for his services. Recommended to Council that he be granted a pension at the pleasure of the Bench of £126 p.a. as from 1st June 1941 and that he be given a gratuity of £150.

Recommended to Council that the Second Butler, A. Hart, be appointed Chief Butler as from 1st June 1941 at a salary of £220 p.a.

Resolved that insurance under the War Damage Act 1941 Business Scheme be effected for £20,000 in respect of goods used in connection with the Society's activities which are compulsorily insurable. £4000 in respect of the contents of the Chapel, £5000 in respect of the contents of the Library. Resolved also that insurance be effected at 1/- per cent to cover all risks of transit to the goods being sent to Judge Roope Reeve as under

	£
Black Books	5000
Hale and other MSS	5000
Silver	4000
Pictures	13,350
Miniature of More	1000

Read the Under Treasurer's report that a set of Law Reports have been purchased to be sent to safe custody. [*p.* 412]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report that the Black Books, Hale MSS and all the most valuable pictures and silver have been sent to His Honour Judge Roope Reeve K.C. at Woodlands, Eardiston, Tenbury, Worcs. and deposited in his strong room for safe custody. Resolved to record the appreciation of the Benchers of the work done by the Under Treasurer and Librarian and their staffs in connection with the removal." [*pp.* 412, 413]

Council held on June 30th, 1941. [p. 415]

Fourteen Benchers present.

"Read the report of the Under Treasurer that the Admission Books, Bar Books, Chapel Registers and some valuable MSS have been sent to a Benchers living in the country for safer custody, and that the most important deeds and books of record and account in daily use have been photographed." [*p.* 421]

Adjourned Council held on July 24th, 1941. [*pp.* 422, 425, 426]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"Read the Under Treasurer's report that the most important of the old Deeds of the Society and films of the books of record and accounts in daily use have been sent to Messrs. Glynn Mills and Co. for safe custody, and that Mr. Vanneck has accepted custody of the film of old deeds." [*p.* 425]

Adopted a report of the Finance Committee which included the following:

Ordered that T. Leggett, the Usher of the Hall, be granted, whilst serving in H.M. Forces 25/- per week for his wife and child until further order.

The resignation of H. Edwards the Acting Chief Porter was accepted and his application for a grant refused.

Consideration of the existing Fire and Burglary Policies on the Hall Library was referred to the Treasurer and Mr. Errington. [pp. 425, 426]

"It was Resolved that the standing Orders be suspended with reference to the proposal to elect as an Honorary Benchers Mr. Harlan Fiske Stone,¹ Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States of America, and that the action of the Treasurer be approved in cabling to the Chief Justice to ask if he might have the honour of proposing him as an Honorary Benchers. It was thereupon unanimously Ordered that Chief Justice Stone be and is hereby elected as an Honorary Benchers and further that he have seniority immediately after the present Treasurer. [p. 426]

"The Council expressed its appreciation of the action of His Honour Judge Reeve K.C. and of Mr. Pember in receiving some of the more valuable pictures, books, manuscripts and silver of the Society for safer custody during the War, and of Mr. Vanneck's services in connection with the preservation of the Society's more important deeds." [p. 426]

"At the dinner following the Council there were Lady guests, nearly every Benchers present having with him his wife or a daughter." [p. 426]

Adjourned Council held on October 13th, 1941. [p. 427]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"A meeting of the Land Tax Commissioners having jurisdiction with regard to Land Tax within the division of Lincoln's Inn in the county of Middlesex (i.e. the Treasurer and the rest of the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn for the time being) having been duly convened by advertisement in the London Gazette for the purpose of choosing persons to supply vacancies among the General Commissioners for that division, the following were chosen [five named Benchers]." [p. 427]

"Adopted with thanks a statuette of the late Vice-Chancellor Bacon by Baer, presented to the Inn by Mrs. G.M.R. Bacon." [p. 428]

"It was decided to offer the iron railings round the garden of the Inn and the old German gun to the authorities." [p. 428]

"Consideration of services in the Chapel was left to the Chapel Committee with power to act." [p. 428]

¹ (1872-1946). Dean of the Columbia Law School: 1910-1923; Attorney General of the United States: 1924-1925; Associate Justice of the Supreme Court: 1925-1941; Chief Justice: 1941-1946.

The Treasurer informed the Council that in August last he [in his capacity as Chairman of the General Council of the Bar] received the following letter dated 24th July 1941 from the President of the Canadian Bar Association

Within the last few weeks the question of a contribution from our Law Society to the Inns of Court has been discussed at different meetings of our Benchers. We are very anxious to make a contribution to be used in the restoration of the Inns of Court that have been damaged as a result of bombing operations, but we of course are more or less in the dark as to the extent of the damage and what form our contribution should take.

I understand that other members of the legal fraternity of the Commonwealth of Nations have also expressed similar desires and have made certain suggestions as to the nature of their contributions, whether it should be in furniture, in money, or what the appropriate form should be, but, as I say, we are all a little in the dark. While our considerations may be premature we all devoutly hope that it will not be long before we are able to give our assistance to the restoration of the historic buildings which have been injured or destroyed. I thought I would just write and ask you whether any suggestions which you could offer to me which I could lay before the Benchers of our Society.

The Annual Meeting of the Canadian Bar Association is to be held here [Toronto] early in September and Sir Norman Birkett is to be our English guest, and I am going with him to Indianapolis later that month where we both are to be the guests of the American Bar Association. It occurred to me that if you had a moment to spare you might discuss the subject with Sir Norman so that he and I can thresh it out completely when he is out here, because I am quite sure the Canadian Bar Association, or the individual Provinces, will be desirous of making a contribution and I intend to discuss the matter at the annual meeting in September.

I understand, though this is quite unofficial, that the American Bar Association have the same thought in mind that we have, and I should not be at all surprised if Mr. Lashly, the President, who is also to be our guest in Toronto, would like to discuss the matter with me and also with Sir Norman.

The Treasurer's immediate reply, after expressions of warm appreciation, contained the following passage

The people most directly concerned, however, are not the Bar Council but the Benchers of the respective four Inns of Court. It is they who control the property of the Inns, and upon whom will fall the task of determining what is to be done in respect of restoration. I have the honour to be the Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn this year and in order that your important letter may be considered before your forthcoming meetings, I have asked the Treasurers of the other Inns to meet me on Thursday next, after which I shall hope to write you again and to get in touch with Sir Norman Birkett before he leaves. Meanwhile you may rest assured that all the four Inns will be deeply grateful for your communication and the indications of sympathy and goodwill on the part of the Canadian and American Bars.

I can give you no information as to what other Bar Associations are proposing to do except that I was told by a friend who had been recently in the United States that a movement in the direction you indicate was being talked of.

In accordance with this letter the Treasurers of the four Inns met at Lincoln's Inn when the matter was discussed on 21st August and they settled the following letter, which was sent to the President of the Canadian Bar.

The Treasurers of the other Inns of Court are with me as I write. We desire to say that we find it difficult to put into words the sentiment and the deep sense of gratitude and emotion with which we have received your letter.

Where we are sitting we are in the midst of the ruins of some of our best beloved and historical buildings. In these circumstances you will readily understand that it is impossible for us to do more at the moment than to thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your sympathy and understanding. At this stage no one can foresee the limits of the misfortunes which may befall us. All we can do therefore is to say that nothing could give us such happiness as to think that some part of our ultimate restoration should be for ever associated with our kinsmen across the seas who wished to come to our help in this time of need.

Subsequently on the 25th August Sir Norman Birkett K.C. had lunch with the Treasurer at Lincoln's Inn when the matter was gone into and Sir Norman promised to express the warm appreciation of the four Inns of the generous suggestions made, to discuss the matter as far as practicable with the American and Canadian Bar representatives and to report to the Treasurer on his return. [pp. 428-431]

Council held on November 3rd, 1941. [p. 433]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Officers for 1942: [p. 433]

Treasurer: Hon. Mr. Justice Atkinson

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Viscount Hailsham

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Luxmoore

Keeper of the Black Book: Sir William Holdsworth K.C.

Master of the Walks: His Honour Judge Kennedy K.C.

An offer from Messrs. Spink & Son to sell to the Society for £150 two original Lord Chancellor's Purses was declined. [p. 434]

Upon the request of the Treasurer as a matter of urgency the Council considered and adopted the following report of the sub-committee appointed by the Finance Committee to consider the allowances to be made to servants of the Society joining H.M. Forces.

The sub-committee recommend that the allowances made at the discretion of the Council to deserving servants of the Society joining His Majesty's Forces should be based in general upon the difference between (a) the salary or wages of the servant as at the time of his

joining the forces and (b) the amount of his pay and allowances for wife and children and other dependants and a sum of £35 in respect of his maintenance by the State but so that each case be considered on its merits and the allowances mentioned increased or diminished as circumstances may justify.

That in the cases of Mr. Coales and Mr. Ringrose circumstances justify the allowances being fixed till further order without making the said deduction of £35.

That Mr. Cornford be informed that unless he furnishes precise information as to his rank and unit and the amounts of his pay and allowances, his allowance will be stopped, and that upon such information being furnished his case will be re-considered.

That each of the servants receiving allowances be informed that any change in the amounts of their pay and allowances must be immediately notified to the Under Treasurer, and that neglect to do so will be viewed with grave displeasure by the Benchers, and may involve serious consequences.... [pp. 434-436]

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee

The Committee inspected the iron railings of the Inn for the purpose of deciding which railings should be offered to the appropriate authority for use for war purposes and selected those within the Inn to be offered viz: those round the garden beginning at the steps on the south side of the Hall and ending with the small gate opposite the Chapel, those in front of the Drill Hall in Stone Buildings, those round the grass plot on the east side of the Old Hall and those in front of Nos. 16, 18 & 19 Old Buildings, and (subject to the consent of the Committee of Proprietors of New Square) those round the garden of the Square with the exception of the Brewster Gates.

It was agreed that it was not advisable to offer any of the railings outside the Inn. [p. 436]

"A letter was read from the Valuer to the London County Council dated the 29th October 1941 stating the desire of the Council to provide a temporary steel garage to the Fire Station at 7 Stone Buildings and it was decided that no objection should be raised to the erection of such temporary garage provided that sufficient space were left for the access of vehicles to the northerly part of Stone Buildings." [p. 437]

Council held on November 25th, 1941. [p. 438]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee dated 24th November 1941 recommending that services be continued on the remaining Sundays of this Term during the sittings of the Law Courts viz: 30th November, 7th and 14th December; and that the salaries of the Preacher and Organist be restored from 29th September 1941 to 25th December 1941." [p. 438]

"Referred to the Finance Committee to consider and report upon a communication from the solicitors for the executors of the late Right Hon. Sir Harry Eve that the deceased by his Will bequeathed to the Inn a legacy free of duty of £300 'in remembrance of many happy hours', and an invitation to the Inn to make an offer for the chambers on the ground floor of No. 4 New Square." [pp. 438, 439]

"Ordered that the Standing Orders with respect to the election of Honorary Benchers be suspended and that the action of the Treasurer in writing to the Prime Minister (Mr. Winston Churchill) (after receiving a large number of signatures approving this course) to ask his permission to propose him as an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society, be confirmed." [p. 439]

Council held on December 19th, 1941. [p. 440]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Hon. Newton Wesley Rowell, an Honorary Bencher. [p. 440]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee:

Resolved that until further Order the services in the Chapel be continued on all Sundays in the legal sittings terms, except the first Sunday in any term of which the first day falls on a Saturday or Sunday; that the full salaries of the Preacher and Organist be restored and in the case of the Organist on the understanding that his full salary is in any event to be continued until the end of the year 1942 or his previous relinquishment of office. [p. 441]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following items

The Committee recommend that the offer from the executors of the late Sir Harry Eve to sell to the Society chambers on the ground floor of No. 4 New Square be declined in view of the high price asked and the present emergency.

"Upon consideration of the Fire and Burglary policies with the Law Fire Insurance Co, and a communication from the Law Fire thereon, it was ordered to acknowledge with thanks a cheque for £20.3.- in respect of premium paid to insure the Fresco against burglary which had been included in the Schedule by error."

Upon consideration of payments to be made to members of the Staff who are on active service, in the case of Mr. Cornford it was ordered that the allowance be made on the same basis as before less £2.4.- overpaid. . . . Recommended that the Inn pay the School fees up to an amount not exceeding £20 p.a. for the son of Sergt. A. Briggs the electricians's mate. Recommended the continuance of the payment of 15/- per week to the mother of Acting Electrical Artificer E.G. Bennett. Ordered that the overpayments made to Mr. L.W. Pilkington be deducted from the payments to be made next year by monthly instalments. . . .

The Finance Committee see no objection from a financial point of view to the Chapel Committee's recommendations re the continuance of services in the Chapel. [*pp.* 441-443]

"Accepted with thanks the presentation by Mr. Donald Cree of an original drawing of the interior of the Hall." [*p.* 443]

"It was moved by Lord Maugham and adopted unanimously:— That the Council greatly appreciate the action of Mr. Vaughan Williams in providing twelve new laid eggs for the Benchers Christmas pudding." [*p.* 443]

Treasurer: Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 1 Mr Justice Crossman
2. March 18 Sir Malcolm McIlwraith, K.C.M.G., K.C.
3. December 7 Richard Henry Hodge

Biographical note

3. Hodge. b.1868. Equity draftsman and conveyancer

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Harold Otto Danckwerts
2. Not replaced
3. Arthur Cole.

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Council held on January 12th, 1942. [*p.* 444]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: Arthur Cole. [*pp.* 440, 444, 445]

Adopted the Regulations set out at this point in the Black Book as the Standing Orders of the Council of Benchers. [*pp.* 445-453]

"Read the following report of Mr. Waite and Mr. Danckwerts on their check of the silver and plate.

"We began the checking of the silver and plate on Monday 22nd December 1941 and checked the Festival Plate and the more substantial items. We found however that the Benchers Bar and Students spoons and forks etc. in daily use had become mixed and required sorting. Further there was a substantial amount unaccounted for, as much as 6 dozen in one case, which conceivably may have been mislaid in bulk. For these circumstances it was impossible to complete the checking. The Staff gave us every assistance within their power, but they are severely handicapped by war time conditions, including the necessity of leaving buildings unlocked and consequently the impracticability of laying out the articles for checking overnight, the shortness of suspension of lunches and other difficulties due

to the black out and reduced staff. We recommend that the checking be completed at some opportunity at Easter or some other period of suspension of lunches during 1942, when daylight hours are longer, and we are personally prepared to undertake the task. Mr. Fairchild has very kindly offered to spend part of his time while on Fire watching duties in sorting the forks spoons etc. into their proper categories and dates in the meantime, and we should like to express our appreciation of his assistance in this task." [p. 454]

"The Masters of the Bench requested the Treasurer to convey to the Under Treasurer their very grateful appreciation of the extracts of the Black Book from 1845 to 1863, copied and presented by him." [p. 454]

Council held on January 30th, 1942. [p. 455]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Middle Temple that their Masters of the Bench have decided not to admit or Call to the Bar any enemy alien during the continuance of the present war. Ordered that it be further considered at the next Council. [p. 455]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

Ordered that no action be taken with reference to reglazing the windows of the Hall, but that an estimate be obtained for the cost of glazing the windows in the Council and Drawing rooms, and also for new fire places in both those rooms. . . .

Accepted with thanks an offer from David Bowen Esq., K.C. to give £10 for the purchase of books for the Library.

Ordered that Mr. Cornford, the Surveyor, be informed that the Inn are unable to support an application that he be released from military duties to enable him to return to the Inn. The letter to be sent to him to be settled by the Treasurer. [pp. 455, 456]

"Ordered that the posts at the west end of the Garden from which the railings have been removed be left for the time being." [p. 456]

"Accepted with appreciation an offer by Mr. Wilfrid Waite of some old firearms." [p. 456]

Adjourned Council held on March 12th, 1942. [p. 457]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Ordered that subject to the other Inns agreeing to follow the same course,¹ no enemy alien be admitted a Student of this Inn during the War. The Treasurer was requested to confer with the Treasurers of the other Inns with a view to an addition to Clause 2(a) of the Consolidated Regulations to this effect." [p. 457]

¹ The other Inns agreed.

Read the following communication from the Prime Minister, dated 9th February 1942

"I am deeply grateful for the invitation of the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn conveyed to me in your letter of 12th November. I trust the delay did not appear discourteous, but as you may perhaps have imagined, I took your letter with me to consider at leisure during my voyage."

"The family connection to which you refer could not but appeal to me, and it would have been an honour to find a place in the distinguished list of past Prime Ministers, members of the Bench of your ancient and Honourable Society. The Benchers however of Grays Inn extended a similar invitation to me at the same time, and with them I have a long standing and close personal association. I was most reluctant to refuse either invitation, and I hoped that I might find a solution to my dilemma in accepting both, but this I now know to be impossible."

"I trust that your Benchers will understand the motives which lead me to refuse this invitation. I can only plead with them in passing judgment on my refusal of so signal an honour that they will bear in mind that it is made with the most genuine regret, for I shall not be able to enjoy an intimate association with the most ancient of those Inns, which, each in their several ways, preserve and foster and enrich the traditions, the practice and the principles of Law which are one of the bulwarks of the English speaking world." [pp. 458, 459]

Read the following communication dated 22nd December 1941 from the Secretary of the American Bar Association

"I have the honour to transmit to you a resolution adopted by the Board of Governors of the American Bar Association, which speaks for itself, and which I forward with assurances of esteem and cordial good wishes from those whom I represent."

RESOLUTION

"The ruthless destruction wrought on the inns of court have brought sorrow and anger to the heart of every American lawyer. These shrines of liberty and law are the common heritage of British and American lawyers. The American Bar Association in this its sixty-fourth Annual Meeting, speaking for the American Bar and Bench, express and record in its minutes its sympathy with our English Brethren in the losses they have sustained by these attacks upon buildings endeared by sacred memory to all English speaking peoples. We admire their fortitude; and we wish them a happy issue out of all their troubles."

"The Association hopes that when the time shall come to repair the damage to the buildings of the Inns of Court the lawyers of America will be permitted to share in the cost of restoration." [pp. 459, 460]

¹ The voyage was that undertaken by Churchill in the battleship, H.M.S. Duke of York, to the United States in the preceding December following the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour.

"Ordered on the recommendation of the Garden Committee that the small lime tree in the Kitchen Garden be cut down." [p. 460]

"Ordered that standing orders be suspended to permit the use of the Old Hall to be granted to G.B. McClure Esq., a Benchler of the Inner Temple for his daughter's wedding reception." [p. 460]

Council held on April 14th, 1942. [p. 461]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Librarian of the Bar Library (R.A. Riches).

The amount of our overdraft on 31st December 1941 was £680.2.1. On the basis of the annual precept, Lincoln's Inn share will amount to £107.5.7. The other Inns are all agreed, though Gray's Inn were quite willing and ready to pay a quarter share. Mr. Bunning tells me this morning that they will rescind their previous decision and pay pro rata. their share is now £123.7.6 instead of £170.

Ordered that £107.5.7. be paid. [pp. 461, 462]

Read the following report of Mr. Waite and Mr. Danckwerts on their check of the Inn's plate.

We have completed the checking of the silver and plate. The following points are noted by us

BENCHERS TABLE

Small forks. One of 1909 is missing (as on last count).
 Desert spoons. 1909. 1 missing.
 Silver handled knives. 3 damaged.
 Pistol handled cheese knives. 1 missing.
 Cheese knives. 4 damaged.
 Cruets. 1 mustard spoon broken.
 Wine labels. 3 missing.
 Large ivory handled knives. 1885. 18 missing or damaged.
 Small ivory handled knives. 1885. 19 missing or damaged.

BAR TABLES

Small forks. 1 missing (as on last count).
 Dessert spoons. 1 missing
 Dessert forks. 1 missing. [p. 463]

Council held on May 11th, 1942. [p. 464]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Resolved upon consideration of an application from the Northern Bar Lodge for the use of rooms for their meetings and lunches or dinners that the Council regret that owing to war restrictions etc. it is impossible to accede to the request." [p. 465]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of W.E. Aldridge, late gardener and a pensioner of this Honourable Society." [p. 466]

Council held on June 2nd, 1942. [p. 466]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Sub Treasurer of the Inner Temple forwarding a copy of a resolution of the Executive Committee of that Inn.

"That the Inner Temple has for some time past been dissatisfied with the basis of the contributions to the Bar Library fixed by the resolution of the Joint Committee of the 21st December 1882 which basis this Inn considers neither fair or reliable as there is no reason to believe that greater use is made of the Library by members of one Inn rather than of another and accordingly is only prepared after the current year to contribute on an equal footing with the other Inns of court, that is to say one fourth of the annual precepts of the Bar Library Committee."

Ordered that consideration thereof be adjourned for further information as to the existing agreement and that Sir Herbert Cunliffe K.C. and Cecil Willie Turner Esq., be requested to report. [p. 467]

The motion of the Treasurer:

That the Benchers Term Fees (35/- per term) which were suspended on 2nd October 1939 be re-imposed as from Trinity Term 1942. [p. 467]

Approved the following report of the Wine committee.

"It was decided to sell 5 pipes of port viz. 50 dozen Gould Campbell 1924; 62 2/12 dozen Cockburn 1927; 56 dozen Gould Campbell 1927; 28 dozen Warres 1927; 28 dozen Graham 1927; and 56 dozen Fonseca 1927. On 20th May 1942 it was decided to sell the parcels mentioned at the last meeting to the Savoy Group at 230/- per dozen, stipulating that the wine be not described as from our cellars." [p. 468]

"Referred to the Discipline Committee a report of the conviction of Patrick Aloysius Marrinan a Student of this Honourable Society for smuggling, and an application on behalf of I.K. Doherty, who was disbarred in 1923, for his reinstatement." [p. 468]

Council held on June 22nd, 1942. [p. 470]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Middle Temple of an Order suggesting to the Bar Council that it would be advisable that the latter should request the Judge Advocate General or other appropriate authority of the respective Fighting Services to supply the Council with particulars of all convictions by Court Martial of any member of the Bar.

"Ordered that a similar Order be made by this Inn." [p. 470]

Read the following report of Sir Herbert Cunliffe and Mr. C.W. Turner upon the establishment and constitution of the Bar Library at the Royal Courts of Justice:

.....

In November 1882 the four Inns appointed a Joint Committee of 20 members (five from each Inn) to confer on the subject of a Bar Library to be formed at the joint expense of the four Inns, and to secure a room for it in the new courts. This Committee met on the 21st December 1882 and unanimously passed various resolutions, including resolutions to the effect that up to £1000 should be laid out in the purchase of books, that the Library should be under the management of a Committee of eight members (two to be appointed by each Inn), "that the respective amounts to be contributed by the four Inns should be in proportion to the number of Barristers belonging to each Inn, and that the annual expenses be borne by the Inns in the same proportions", that the use of the Library be confined to Barristers and certificated Conveyancers and Special Pleadors, and that the resolutions be communicated to the four Inns.

These resolutions were duly communicated to the four Inns, and the Board of Works having agreed to provide the necessary accommodation, books were purchased at the cost of the four Inns in accordance with the above mentioned resolutions, and the Library was opened in 1884. Since then the Library has been managed by a Committee of the four Inns constituted as above stated, and the annual expenses have been borne by the four Inns in the proportions agreed upon as above mentioned except that from 1891 to 1921 Gray's Inn whose contribution had been very small compared with those of the others voluntarily contributed more than their proportionate share. In practice the number of Barristers belonging to each Inn has been ascertained from the Law List, and the annual precept for each Inn fixed by the Committee on that basis. The practice has grown up of allowing the Library to be used by the Judiciary as well as by Barristers and it is now largely used by them and in fact is the main Library of all the Courts.

It appears to us that in view of the foregoing it is not competent for a particular Inn to resile from its obligations as regards the financial upkeep of the Library without the unanimous consent of all the Inns.

Mr. Riches informs us that he estimates the annual expense of the upkeep of the Library in future years at a sum not exceeding £2000. [*pp.* 471, 472]

Read the following communication from the Secretary (T. Harvatt) of the Council of Legal Education.

The Classical Association, feeling considerable apprehension as to the retention of classical studies in the educational schemes of the future, recently approached the Chairman of the Board of Studies as to whether the Council of Legal Education would be prepared to express a view on the value of a Classical Education as a preparation for the study of law.

The Board of Studies is as you know, a Committee of the Council of Legal Education, and the Chairman of the Board was of opinion that, if the Board approved, the matter could be most expeditiously dealt with by proposing a draft resolution for the consideration of the Council. A draft resolution was accordingly framed and with the unanimous approval of the Board submitted to the Council. No considerable objection was taken in the Council to the actual terms of the draft resolution and the resolution as finally approved is subjoined hereto.

Some members of the council however felt considerable hesitation as to promulgating such a pronouncement without specific authority from each of the four Inns, and it was accordingly resolved to submit the resolution for their individual consideration. Would you therefore be good enough to inform me

1. Whether your Inn approves or disapproves of such a resolution
2. If aye, whether (a) your Inn would prefer to communicate direct with the President of the Classical Association, or (b) your Inn would be satisfied to adopt the resolution proposed by the Council and empower the Council to communicate directly with the Classical Association.

RESOLUTION

While recognising that a classical education has not in the past been within the reach of all who have made the Bar their profession and that many lawyers have attained eminence without this advantage, the Council is nevertheless satisfied that a classical education provides a sure foundation for the study of law, that as a system of education it is eminently adapted to develop the power of grasping, analysing and expounding legal principles and problems and that a sound knowledge of Latin is invaluable to a full and accurate appreciation of the niceties of the English language.

Ordered that this Inn approve the resolution and will be obliged if the Council will communicate its terms to the Classical Association. [*pp.* 474, 475]

"Read a communication from Henry Arthur Hollond Esq., D.S.O. that the widow of the late William Joseph Whittaker, a Barrister of Lincoln's Inn, had bequeathed £2500 to Trinity College Cambridge to provide a scholarship for a member of the College who is placed in the first class of Part II of the Law Tripos and is or becomes a member of Lincoln's Inn." [*p.* 476]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

"The Treasurer reported that the Bishop of Oxford has agreed to hold himself ready to accept an invitation to be the next Warburton Lecturer when the future becomes clearer.

"Recommended that the Treasurer be requested to invite the Preacher to continue his engagement for another year from the 29th September next." [*p.* 476]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee dated 11th June which included the following items

Upon consideration of the Treasurer's motion that the Benchers term fees be re-imposed, the Committee advised that the proposal be not proceeded with.

Consideration of the sale of Champagne was referred to the Wine Committee with power to act. [*pp.* 476, 477]

Council held on July 28th, 1942. [*p.* 478]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

Ordered that a resolution be passed asking that the following be added to Clause 47c of the Consolidated Regulations

No student shall be called to the Bar without having kept at least four terms in person in the manner for the time being prescribed by his Inn, unless excused by his Inn on the ground of service in H.M. Forces

and that the other Inns be requested to pass a similar resolution.¹ [*p.* 479]

Read the Treasurer's report that the Rev. Dr. J.K. Mozley has accepted the invitation to remain Preacher of this Honourable Society for another year from 29th September next. [*p.* 479]

Adopted the following report of the Discipline Committee

1. The Committee recommend the Council not to accede to the application of Ithiel Kolajo Doherty to be re-installed a Barrister of this Honourable Society.

2. On consideration of the case of a student of this Honourable Society named Patrick Aloysius Marrinan against whom it was reported that he had pleaded guilty at the City Police Court, Dale Street, Liverpool to criminal offences and had been sentenced to fines of £4000 or three months imprisonment and £500 or three months imprisonment respectively, it was agreed that the Under Treasurer should ascertain whether Marrinan had paid the fines and if so where he could be communicated with and if not when he would be released from prison, and the matter was further adjourned with a view to a letter being written to him and the case dealt with in a similar manner to that adopted in the case of Robert Noel Hill.² [*p.* 480]

Adopted the reports of the Finance Committee from which the following are taken

Upon consideration of the case of Mr. Cornford it was decided to encourage him to get employment elsewhere

No order was made on the application of Mr. Ringrose, the Assistant Librarian for assistance

¹ The Inner and Middle Temples agreed, but Gray's Inn did not agree.

² For Hill's case, see *ante*, pp. 422, 423, 430.

The recommendation of the Building Committee that the Barristers Common Room be repaired was approved.

... S. Goldsworthy was engaged as Assistant Chef at £4 per week to include Sunday luncheons, and R. Richfield as Common Room Attendant and Handy Man at £3.5.- per week.

The resignation of Porter A.A. Jones was accepted on the ground of ill health. . . . [pp. 480, 481]

Council held on October 12th, 1942. [p. 482]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Herman Victor Rabagliati, K.C. [pp. 479, 483]

"Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of His Royal Highness the Duke of Kent, K.G., senior Bencher of this Honourable Society, on active service."¹ [p. 482]

"The Treasurer was requested to reply to a communication from the Association of Czechoslovak Lawyers in Great Britain." [p. 483]

On 15th October 1942 the Treasurer wrote to the Queen's Secretary, Major Penn, to enquire whether Her Majesty (then Consort to H.M. King George VI) would accept an invitation to become a Bencher of the Inn. On 3rd November Major Penn replied by a letter which included the following

"I now find that shortly after Their Majesties' accession the Queen was approached by the Middle Temple with a request that she might accept an invitation to become a Bencher of that Inn. At that time Her Majesty, on consideration, found herself unable to accept the invitation and she now feels, as I am sure you will understand, that she could hardly accept an office in one Inn which she has already refused in another."

The Treasurer then enquired whether Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth would accept a similar invitation. The reply, dated 19th November 1942, was

"As you may suppose there is an increasing volume of requests for Princess Elizabeth's patronage, many of them both suitable and deserving, and these were multiplied when H.R.H. was nearly a year ago, appointed Colonel of the Grenadier Guards. The policy hitherto has been to decline them all as yet and nothing is defined as to the age when it will be thought fitting—as it must some day—gradually to relax the practice." [BB.47, pp. 162, 163]

¹ The Duke and his equerry were killed on August 25th in an accident on an aerodrome in Caithness while on the way to Iceland.

Council held on November 2nd, 1942. [p. 484]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 483, 485]

Sir Philip Wilbraham Baker-Wilbraham, Bart., Dean of the Arches

Officers for 1943: [p. 486]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Luxmoore.

Master of the Library: Sir William Holdsworth, K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: His Honour Judge Kennedy, K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: His Honour Judge Sir Gerald Hurst, K.C.

Master of the Walks: His Honour Hugh Sturges, K.C.

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Sir Rowland Whitehead, Bart., K.C. Ordered that the Order of 18th May 1936 that every fourth vacancy be not filled until the number of Benchers be reduced to sixty-five be suspended on this occasion and that the consequent vacancy on the Bench be filled by the invitation of a member of the Outer Bar. [p. 486]

Council held on November 25th, 1942. [p. 488]

Eighteen Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Stephen Gerald Howard [pp. 486, 489]

"Read a communication from the Middle Temple of an Order that it be referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar to consider and report whether a Biochemist is eligible for admission to an Inn of Court. [pp. 488, 489]

Read a communication from the executor of the late Francis H.L. Errington, C.B. that his will contained the following clause

My Trustees shall stand possessed of my net residuary estate as to one moiety for my son Ralph and as to the other moiety (herein called "Barbara's moiety") to hold the income on protective trusts for my said daughter during her life time then (if Barbara by Will so appoints) on the like trusts for my said son-in-law during his life or until re-marrying and subject thereto on the like trusts for my said granddaughter during her life and in the event of her leaving surviving her a child or children or issue of a child predeceasing her who attain 21 then Barbara's moiety to go to them as my granddaughter by deed or will appoint or in default equally per stirpes. If no such child or issue then the said moiety to be transferred and paid to the Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn to apply the income for scholarships or for the maintenance of the Chapel and its services as the Bench may decide. Provided that my Trustees may at any time during the life of my said daughter if in their discretion they shall think fit pay out of her moiety any sum or sums not exceeding in the whole £2000 for purposes which they may consider to have been unforeseen by me.¹ [pp. 489, 490]

¹ Nothing came to the Inn under the provisions of this will.

Read the following communication from the executor of the late Francis Errington to the Under Treasurer

When I saw you at the time when you were kindly arranging for the Lincoln's Inn service for the late Mr. F.H.L. Errington I mentioned to you that, as he was cremated, there was no particular place for a permanent memorial. I have been in consultation with his family and they would very much like to place a suitable tablet in Lincoln's Inn Chapel. It would seem the most appropriate place for as you know, Mr. Errington very frequently attended service there during his sixty years in the Inn of which he was a Bencher and Treasurer besides commanding the Inns of Court O.T.C. If you would place the matter before the Benchers and let me know their decision in due course, I would be very much obliged.

The Treasurer was requested to reply as follows

I brought before the Bench of the Inn your request to be allowed to place in the Chapel a memorial to the late Col. Errington. The Benchers think that you may not know that after the war a window pane bearing his coat of arms and recording his Treasurership will be placed in one of the north end windows. This is the traditional—and much treasured—memorial and none other has ever been permitted.

Much as the Bench would like to meet any request from the family of so loved a Bencher, it feels that a further memorial would tend to diminish the value of the existing form of memorial, and that it would be a mistake to depart from so old a custom and to create a precedent which it might some day regret. I hope that Mrs. Errington and the family will feel that their wishes will be sufficiently met by the memorial window. [pp. 490, 491]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1942. [p. 492]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following items

Reported a communication from Mrs. Yells, the widow of a painter, in which she stated that her circumstances having improved she no longer required the pension of £1 per week granted to her by the Bench [on June 18th, 1934]. Ordered that a letter of appreciation be written to her, and that she be informed that should her circumstances necessitate it in the future she will be at liberty to apply to the Bench again.

.....

Recommended that a donation of £5.5.— be granted to Cambridge House, Trinity Hall, Free Legal Advice Centre. [pp. 492, 493]

Upon reading the report of the Discipline Committee

Ordered that a Special Meeting of the Council be held to consider the case of Patrick Aloysius Marrinan, a Student...

Ordered that Behari Lal,¹ a Barrister of this Honourable Society be suspended forthwith, and that he be informed that owing to an oversight he was not disbarred after his conviction in 1936, that he has been suspended, and that the Council are prepared to consider any reasons which he may desire to adduce why he should not now be disbarred, or if now disbarred why he should be restored. [p. 493]

"Accepted with thanks an offer from a Master of the Bench to present to the Inn a new bookplate to be designed and carried out by Mr. George Kruger Gray."² [p. 494]

Read the Under Treasurer's report that the late Mr. George Anson Byron by his will gives free of duty "to the Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn my drawing of my grandfather Vice Chancellor Sir Richard Kindersley for the use of the Inn." [p. 494]

Treasurer: Mr Justice Atkinson

The following Benchers died during the year

1. July 8 Francis Henry Launcelot Errington, C.B.
2. July 23 Sir Charles Sargant
3. October 9 Sir Rowland Whitehead, Bt., K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Errington. b.1857. Chancellor of various dioceses. Editor *Hanson's Death Duties*. Commanded Inns of Court Regiment O.T.C. 1913-1916.³

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Herman Victor Rabagliati, K.C.
2. Sir Philip Baker-Wilbraham, Bart.
3. Stephen Gerald Howard

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Council held on January 11th, 1943. [p. 495]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Mr. Justice Atkinson reported on his examination of the wine in the cellars. It was considered that there should be a system of checking and it was referred to the Wine Committee to restore or devise a system of checking. [p. 496]

¹ Admitted May 26th, 1910. Called to the Bar June 16th, 1915.

² The Master of the Bench was Arthur Cole, an expert on armorial bearings and a frequent benefactor of the Library. The then current bookplate was designed by Charles William Sherborne (1831-1912) in 1896. George Kruger Gray (1880-1943) died before completing the new bookplate. The commission was then given to George Taylor Friend O.B.E. (1881-1969) who in 1949 produced the bookplate which is still in use. Sherborne, Gray and Friend were all leading engravers in their day.

³ See *ante*, pp. 51, 52.

"Accepted with thanks the presentation by Miss Cornelia Sorabji¹ of an Eastern Crucifix and a Cornelian Amulet inscribed with the Lord's Prayer in early Aramaic, from the collection of Sir Ernest Wallis Budge." [p. 496]

Council held on February 1st, 1943. [p. 498]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Inner Temple.

"You will remember that some time ago this Inn resolved that in future it would be willing to pay only one quarter share of the expenses of the Bar Library Committee. Since that time as no doubt you know, an informal meeting of the Four Treasurers was held at which various suggestions for defraying the cost of the Bar Library were considered but proved to be for one reason or another, impracticable.

"One suggestion however was made that the expenses should be met in proportion to the number of Barristers called at the various Inns over a period of years, and I am instructed by my Treasurer to inform you that this Bench will agree to a yearly contribution to the Bar Library based on the proportionate numbers called to the Bar by the four Inns for the preceding fifty years provided that all the other Inns agree to this course.

"The Council assumed that the proposal contained in the above communication means that the expenses of the Bar Library Committee should be met in each year in proportion to the number of Barristers called at the various Inns over a period of the then preceding fifty years and on this footing it was Ordered that the proposal be accepted provided the other Inns agree." [pp. 498, 499]

"Ordered that a Special Council be summoned at 4.15 p.m. on Monday 1st March to consider the case of P.A. Marrinan a student of this Honourable Society." [p. 499]

Reported the presentation by the Treasurer (Lord Justice Luxmoore) of two silver Tazzi, dated respectively 1664 and 1675, in memory of his sons Charles Fairfax Coryndon Luxmoore and Michael Coryndon Luxmoore. [p. 500]

Read the following report of the Library Committee

On consideration of an offer from the Friends of the National Libraries of Rastell's Entries, 1596, coupled with a suggestion that the Inn should present to the Inner Temple a Selden manuscript, Recommend to Council that having regard to the terms of Sir Matthew Hale's bequest the suggestion made by Lord Macmillan cannot be complied with, but that an offer might be made to the Inner Temple of the mss. of Selden's Table Talk.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Treasurer for further consideration. [p. 500]

¹ (1868-1954) B.C.L. Oxon. 1893. Vakil, High Court of Allahabad. Barrister of Lincoln's Inn 1923. Barrister of High Court, Calutta. See DNB for further details of her remarkable career.

Note by Cecil W. Turner (Bencher of Lincoln's Inn) on the portrait of William Pitt by Gainsborough.

This portrait was presented to the Inn by Lady Turner the widow of my great-great-uncle Lord Justice Turner F.R.S., D.C.L. who was Treasurer of the Inn in 1858 and died on the 12th April 1872¹. It no doubt came into the Turner family by reason of the fact that the Lord Justice was the nephew and protege of Pitt's tutor the Rev. Joseph Turner, D.D., F.S.A., a Senior Wrangler, Master of Pembroke College, Cambridge and Dean of Norwich, which later position he owed to Pitt's recommendation. The Lord Justice, like Pitt, also went to Pembroke of which he became a Fellow.

The portrait was exhibited at the Royal Academy in 1878 and at the Grosvenor Gallery in 1885. It is thus described in Walter Armstrong's *Life of Gainsborough* published in 1898: "3/4 length standing to the right leaning on arm-chair, across which are thrown his robes as Chancellor of the Exchequer, blue coat, white waistcoat, 49" by 39". It appears from Armstrong's *Life* that Gainsborough painted Pitt 15 times, five of the portraits (including that belonging to the Inn) being large sized (about 50" by 40"). The other four are stated to have belonged to the Earl of Normanton, Sir Robert Peel, the Duke of Richmond and Earl Bathurst. [*pp.* 500, 501]

Special Council held on March 1st, 1943. [p. 501]

Fourteen Benchers present.

Ordered that the name of Patrick Aloysius Marrinan be struck off the list of Students of this Honourable Society. [*p.* 501]

Adjourned Council held on March 16th, 1943. [p. 502]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

"Read communications from the Middle Temple and Gray's Inn of Orders agreeing to the proposal of the Inner Temple as to how the expenses of the Bar Library Committee should be met." [*p.* 502]

[The death on 10th February of His Honour Judge Alfred Ravenscroft Kennedy K.C., Dean of the Chapel, was reported.]

Read the following extracts from the last will of Judge Kennedy dated 12th August 1936

3. I give the following specific legacies all free of all death duties namely:—

(a) To the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn or failing that to the National Portrait Gallery the Richmond portrait of my father

.....

5. I devise all my freehold land messuages and property in England and Wales ... to my Trustees upon trust for my said Wife and her assigns during her life ... and subject thereto

¹ An error: Turner died in 1867, see DNB; 5BB.144, giving the date as July 9th, 1867. For the presentation of the portrait to the Inn in 1868, see 5BB.149, 150. The portrait was stolen from the Inn in September 1990, and was replaced by a portrait of Pitt by John Hoppner.

- (a) As to my message ... at Alington Bibury aforesaid and commonly known as Hinton Cottage ... in trust for the Trustees of the Bibury Charity
- (b) As to all the residue of my freehold land ... in trust for the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn the rents and income thereof to be used so far as necessary to endow a scholarship to be known as the Kennedy Law Scholarship at Lincoln's Inn in memory of my father the Right Honourable Sir William Rann Kennedy one of His Majesty's Lords Justices of Appeal and subject thereto to the general purposes of the said Honourable Society
- (c) I declare (but without the desire of creating or imposing any trust or legal obligation) that it is my wish that the said trustees of the Bibury Charity and the said Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn respectively shall with the leave of the High Court or of a Judge thereof or of the Charity Commissioners under section 8 of the Mortmain and Charitable Uses Act 1891 retain the said properties hereinbefore devised to them respectively unsold as a permanent investment.

Ordered that a Scheme be formulated when further information is forthcoming and that it be referred for this purpose to the Finance Committee. [*pp.* 503, 504]

Ordered that His Honour Judge Sir Gerald Hurst K.C. be Dean of the Chapel, His Honour Hugh Sturges K.C. Keeper of the Black Book and Arthur Malcolm Latter K.C. Master of the Walks for the year ending 10th January 1944. [*p.* 504]

Read a copy of a letter from the Librarian of the Supreme Court Library, Law Courts Melbourne which included the following

We have all read with sorrow of the damage done to Law Libraries in England, especially those of the Inns of Court, but so far I have not yet observed any definite request for books to replace those lost, except from the Royal Empire Society...

... Might I suggest that the English Law Libraries write to me or to the Australian Institute of Libraries c/o Public Library of New South Wales, Sydney, N.S.W. so that we will know what is wanted, and consider what aid we can give.

The Treasurer was requested to convey the Inn's appreciation of the offer and to say that so far none of the Inn's books have been destroyed. [*p.* 506]

Adopted reports of the Finance Committee which included the following

Recommended that the Chapel services be continued until the termination of the engagement of the Preacher and Organist in September 1943, but that the whole question of the future be reconsidered before the end of Trinity Term. The matter to be brought before the Finance Committee for consideration and report at its next meeting.

Recommended that in future the cost of the Sunday lunch be 7/6 per head and that it includes beer, cider, and coffee, but no wine.

Mr. Herbert Walker was requested to report on the condition of the pictures stored in the Wine Cellar with an estimate of the cost of any work recommended.

Recommended the sale of the remainder of the Krug Champagne 1928 and that a substantial part of the rest of the wine not exceeding one half be sold, and that it be referred to the Wine Committee to select the particular wines and the quantities of each.

Ordered that the recommendation re Sunday lunch be accepted with the addition that port be taken round once on Sundays.

Ordered that it be referred to the Wine Committee to select half of the port and claret and if so advised half of the Hock for sale. [pp. 506, 507]

Adopted the following report of the Wine Committee

"Ordered that the Cellar Book is to be produced to the Treasurer every Monday. Recommended that the price of port sold in Hall be raised to 1/6d. per glass; that the price of Sunday Luncheon be raised from 6/- to 7/6, and that no Benchers be allowed to introduce more than three guests." [p. 507]

Council held on April 19th, 1943. [p. 508]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Hon. Charles Robert Ritchie Romer, K.C. [pp. 503, 508, 509]

Read the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Recommended that the Chapel services be not suspended during the War provided that the present expense can be reduced by entering into a covenant.

Upon considering a request from the Committee of Proprietors in New Square that the Inn should formulate a voluntary scheme for Fire Watching embracing New Square Ordered that they be informed that this Committee are unable to formulate a voluntary scheme for Fire Watching and they suggest that such a scheme be formulated by the New Square Proprietors, of whom Lincoln's Inn is one.

Ordered that a committee be appointed consisting of [four named Benchers] to draft the suggested covenant re the upkeep of the Chapel and that consideration of the recommendation re the Chapel be adjourned.¹ [pp. 509, 510]

Read the report of the Building Committee dated the 13th March 1943 which comprised the following documents

1. Letter from the Town Clerk of the Borough of Holborn dated 2nd March 1943 to the Under Treasurer

As you are aware the question of the operation of general public health legislation within the precincts of Lincoln's Inn has recently arisen in connection with the execution of certain drainage works. Whilst the Council does not suggest that the Inn desires to evade

¹ See *post*, pp. 456, 457.

the requirements of any enactments, nor does it suggest that the standard of work carried out in Lincoln's Inn is other than in conformity with the general law, it does, at the same time feel that it would be more satisfactory both to the Inn and to the Council if the matter were settled.

I have been unable to trace any evidence to support the suggestions that the general public health law does not operate within the Inn, and I shall be glad to receive details of any such evidence which you may have in your possession.

2. Comprehensive notes on Lincoln's Inn drains prepared by Mr. H.O. Danckwerts dated 19th March 1943 which found the position under the relevant legislation obscure.

3. Letter dated 24th March from the Under Treasurer to the Town Clerk

I duly placed your letter of the 2nd March before the Treasurer. He directs me to inform you that in his view it would be undesirable to attempt at the present time to unravel the precise legal position of your Council and the Inn with regard to drainage work in Lincoln's Inn, and to suggest that in the circumstances the position would best be met if your Surveyor's approval is obtained in respect of any work executed on behalf of the Inn—the necessary plans being first submitted to him.

This agreement would of course be entirely without prejudice to the legal position of either your Council or the Inn. [pp. 510-514]

"Granted the Petition of Bram C. de Sola to be admitted and called to the Bar under Clause 47D of the Consolidated Regulations."¹ [p. 514]

Council held on May 4th, 1943. [p. 514]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

The Treasurer reported to the Council that damage to pictures sent to the country for safer custody had been caused by damp and mildew and he read the following letter from Mr Herbert Walker to the Under Treasurer dated 29th April 1943.

With reference to your letter of yesterday's date and to my visit to Eardiston for the purpose of examining the pictures belonging to Lincoln's Inn, I am sorry to be the bearer of bad tidings.

The portraits are indeed in a deplorable condition through exposure to damp. It was a great shock to me to see how much damage had taken place since they were placed in the strong room. A further six months of such humidity would have destroyed them all, the painted surfaces are so

¹ For Consolidated Regulation 47D, see *ante*, p. 423. For the call of Canadian barristers to the English Bar, see *ante*, pp. 425, 426. Bram Charles de Sola, an Advocate of Quebec and Barrister of the Supreme of Canada, then aged 52, was admitted to the Inn on May 4th and Called to the Bar on May 17th, 1943.

fragile, they are likely to break away at a touch. Many of them have newspaper stuck on the surface causing very bad marking, and on nearly every one the varnish has chilled, obliterating the greater part of the picture. On others the mildew has penetrated right through the canvas and the re-lining canvas and the pigment, causing the paint to blister because the canvas preparation has turned to powder.

The two works by Gainsborough have suffered exceedingly, the Geddes also (a very rare master) is in a similar state and quite hidden by varnish chill. The portrait of Francis Hargrave by Reynolds I took away with me because of its awful state, and gave it immediate treatment; it is a magnificent example of his work and now well on its way to recovery.

I cannot at the moment discover the full amount of damage caused to each one until they have dried out a little longer and it becomes possible to remove some of the surface mildew, but I am preparing a full report upon each one and will forward it to you as soon as it is ready. Apart from the repair work to be done to the pictures, the fact that the varnish on each one has chilled, means that they will have to be cleaned down, and all old repairs and restorations made good. The appearance of the collection will be considerably improved after treatment.

The portrait of King George was right at the back of the strong room, and the canvas is in a sorry state eaten away in many places but restorable. The panel portrait of John Glanville is nothing but one huge blister and in a very precarious state.

From the foregoing you may perhaps agree that it is difficult to have even an approximate figure for the proper repair of the collection, so much depends upon immediate preventative treatment before consequential damage takes place. I quite realise that the Benchers would like to know the true position as soon as possible, therefore judging by the time that would have to be expended upon them based upon past experience and excepting the Glanville, I give you a figure round about £1500 for treatment of all the pictures.

Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to see Mr. Walker and instruct him to take the necessary steps to put the pictures into proper repair.

Ordered that the Treasurer be granted a free hand to deal with the mss., books etc. which have been sent to the country for safer custody. [pp. 515-517]

"An invitation was given to Officers of the Royal Canadian Air Force whose Headquarters are at No. 20 Lincoln's Inn Fields who are of the rank of Group Captain or over or are members of the Canadian Bar to use the Barristers table in Hall for lunch." [p. 517]

Council held on May 31st, 1943. [p. 519]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee from which the following items are taken

The Under Treasurer reported that the sale of wine at Messrs. Rastells realised £21,794.4.2. . . .

The report of the sub-committee appointed to consider and report *inter alia* on the desirability of continuing the Works Department was approved. The sub-committee interviewed Mr. Cuthbert Lake and after hearing his explanations were unanimously of opinion that it is desirable to continue the Works Dept. during the present emergency.

Recommend That

- (a) Members of the Inn whose professional chambers are let to them at rentals below the 1929 valuation be asked to agree to the increase of their rents to that level.
- (b) Members occupying residential chambers and non-members whose respective rents are below the present economic rents be asked to increase their rents to the present economic level.
- (c) The form of letter to those concerned to be settled by the Treasurer.
- (d) All cases in which the tenants are unwilling to agree to any increase of rent to be considered in such manner as the Treasurer may direct. [*pp.* 520, 521]

Adopted the following report of the Picture Committee

Recommended that Mr. Walker's advice as to pictures torn and otherwise damaged contained in his report of 27th March 1943 be followed, and also as to the eleven large Coats of Arms on copper; except as to the portraits of Sir Edward Russell and Sir Fitzroy Kelly.

Recommended that Mr. Walker be asked to inspect the pictures in the care of Judge Roope Reeve. [*p.* 522]

"The use of the Hall was granted to the Royal College of Surgeons for the Centenary of its Fellowship on 21st July 1943."

The Treasurer communicated requests made by the President of the Royal College of Surgeons as to the use of the Hall by the Royal College of Surgeons, the Royal College of Physicians and the Society of Obstetricians in connection with their building scheme in Lincoln's Inn Fields. Ordered that a committee be appointed consisting of the Treasurer and three other named Benchers to consider the project and to discuss it with the Royal College of Surgeons. [*p.* 522]

"Ordered that a payment of £200 be paid to the Under Treasurer towards the cost of his daughter's illness." [*p.* 522]

Council held on June 22nd, 1943. [*p.* 523]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

"Read the report of the Under Treasurer that he has received payment for the wine sold and a further payment on account from the War Damage Commission in respect of First Aid Repairs."

Council held on July 12th, 1943. [p. 525]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 515, 520, 523, 527]

Sir John William Fisher Beaumont, K.C., Chief Justice of Bombay.

Read the following report of the Library Committee dated 5th July 1943

The committee read and approved the following report

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT ON THE MANUSCRIPTS AND BLACK BOOKS

The manuscripts and Black Books, which had been packed in twenty-three boxes, one basket and five sisalkraft parcels, were returned to the Inn on 25th June. I have opened every packet and find that the sisalkraft and the majority of the boxes have for the most part kept the volumes dry. In some cases there is a suspicion of dampness, but not enough to cause anxiety. Some of the contents of the basket and one of the boxes (an old one with an ill-fitting lid) are definitely damp, but I cannot find any signs of mildew.

I am going through each volume page by page with a silk duster and have not yet found any reason for thinking that any permanent harm has been done. At present these volumes have been placed on shelves in the strong room with a view to their being examined at frequent intervals.

I suggest that all the other manuscripts and the Black Books should be removed from their boxes and placed on the strong room shelves, where they will be exposed to the air, for at least a few weeks.

The Librarian was requested to get in touch with an expert at the Record Office or the British Museum in reference to the condition of one or more of the mss., the subject of his report, which he is authorised to produce and, if necessary, leave for examination, and to request such expert for his advice as to treatment, if any, of such mss. if they have suffered from damp and as to precautions to be taken in the future.

FURTHER REPORT ON THE MANUSCRIPTS

Mr. Evans of the Public Record Office called at the Library on 7th July and inspected the manuscripts and Black Books. He was of opinion that there was no cause at all for anxiety. He recommended the removal of the volumes from their boxes unless it was considered more important to be able to handle them easily in case of fire. He also suggested putting them for a time in a room with a good current of air, and thought the Council Room a very suitable place, except that it was rather exposed in the event of the building being damaged by enemy action. Finally he advised that the volumes should be wiped over with thymolised rag which he will give us when we are ready to use it. [pp. 525-527]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee.

The draft deed of covenant for charitable purposes was considered and it was recommended that

1. The draft as altered and approved be executed.
2. The "special trustees" to be Mr. Cleveland-Stevens, Mr. Roxburgh and Sir Philip Baker-Wilbraham.
3. That the engagement of the Preacher be continued for one year from the 29th September 1943 at the same salary (£210 per annum).
4. That the engagement of the Organist be continued for one year from the 29th September 1943 at the same salary (£125 per annum). [p. 527]

"The Treasurer's report on the meeting of the representatives of the Royal College of Surgeons with the representatives of this Honourable Society was after discussion ordered to stand over until the next Council." [p. 527]

Council held on July 29th, 1943. [p. 528]

Forty Benchers present.

"Granted an application from the Council of Legal Education for the use of the Old Hall for their lectures and examinations next year." [p. 529]

"Read communications from the Preacher and the Organist accepting the invitation to continue in office for another year from 29th September next." [p. 529]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Ordered that Mr. Herbert Walker be paid £500 on account of work he has done on the portraits.

Recommended that letters be sent to the Librarian (Mr. Hodgkinson) and to the Chief Clerk (Mr. Fairchild) expressing appreciation of their valuable work during the War, and stating that as they have had no rise in salary since the War began we desire to give them an honorarium of £20 each as a token and not the measure of our appreciation. [pp. 529, 530]

"Upon further consideration of the Treasurer's report on the meeting of the representatives of the Royal College of Surgeons with the representatives of this Honourable Society the Treasurer made a statement closing the question." [p. 530]

"The Treasurer reported an anonymous gift of £20 for bulbs and flowers for the garden." [p. 530]

Council held on October 12th, 1943. [p. 531]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

MEM: Among the Students is Mr. C.J.C. Pugh a grandson of Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.C. so that at the present time Father, Son (Mr. Thomas Cunliffe) and Grandson are all members of the Inn.

"Upon the Motion of the Treasurer Ordered

1. That the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn do respectfully invite Her Majesty Queen Mary to become a Master of the Bench.

2. That in the event of Her Majesty Queen Mary being graciously pleased to accept the invitation she be a Master of the Bench accordingly and that for that purpose all standing orders and rules be suspended and all fees and payments be dispensed with and that the Treasurer communicate these resolutions to Her Majesty."

"Lord Clauson recalled the first speech Queen Mary ever made in public was made in Lincoln's Inn Old Hall."¹ [pp. 531, 532]

Read the following signed by the President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England²

Ordinary Meeting of the Council 29th July 1943

Read a report on the Fellowship Centenary Reception

Resolved unanimously

"That the best thanks of the Council be and are hereby given to the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn for their generosity in allowing the use of the Great Hall for the Fellowship Centenary Reception, for their courtesy and consideration in putting many facilities at the disposal of the College and for the obliging and able assistance given by the Under Treasurer and members of the staff of the Inn." [p. 532]

Council held on November 2nd, 1943. [p. 533]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

The Treasurer reported on the events of the day [2nd November] as to Her Majesty Queen Mary's election as senior Bencher of the Inn. He read the following letter from Her Majesty's Private Secretary

"I have had the honour of submitting to Queen Mary your letter of the 14th October, together with the copy of the resolutions passed at the Council meeting at Lincoln's Inn on the 12th October. I am requested to thank you most sincerely for your kindness in proposing that an invitation be extended to Her Majesty to become a Master of the Bench, and to express her deep appreciation of the generous way in which the motion was received.

"It gives Queen Mary the greatest pleasure to accept your invitation; and Her Majesty wishes me to assure you that she is both proud to have the honour of becoming your first Lady Bencher, and happy to feel that she is carrying on the close personal association which His late Majesty had with Lincoln's Inn in past years.

"Queen Mary is only so sorry that it is not possible for her to come to London at the present time to attend any ceremony at the Inn but sincerely hopes that the time is not far distant when she may have the pleasure of doing so. Meanwhile I am to express Her Majesty's gratitude for your

¹ See *ante*, p. 283.

² Sir Alfred (later Lord) Webb-Johnson (1880-1958).

courteous proposal to call her to the Bar 'in absentia' and then to publish her as the Senior Bencher of Lincoln's Inn, and to say that this proposal meets with her cordial approval."

Forty four Masters of the Bench lunched in Hall at the Bench Table and also Major Wickham, Private Secretary to Her Majesty, the Master of the Rolls, General Betts, Mr. Beebee¹ and the Preacher; sixty one Barristers at the Bar Table and twenty three Students at the Students Table. The Treasurer published Queen Mary a Barrister of this Honourable Society and immediately afterwards Senior Bencher. He then proposed her health which was received with acclamation. [pp. 533, 534]

The Treasurer and Benchers expressed their appreciation of the efforts of the Under Treasurer and his staff, the butlers and kitchen staff in connection with the luncheon which was given at the expense of the Inn in the special circumstances of the occasion. [p. 535]

Called to the Bench: [pp. 532, 536]
Hubert Stanley Houldsworth, K.C.

Officers for 1944: [p. 536]

Treasurer: His Honour Judge Sir Gerald Hurst, K.C.
Master of the Library: His Honour Hugh Sturges, K.C.
Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Viscount Maugham
Keeper of the Black Book: Alfred Malcolm Latter, K.C.
Master of the Walks: Wilfrid Mortimer Hunt.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Reported that the probate value of that portion of the estate of the late Judge Kennedy the reversion of which he has left to the Inn to found a scholarship has been placed at £7306.13.4. The Committee recommend that the scholarship to be founded be entitled "The Kennedy Law Scholarship in memory of Lord Justice William Rann Kennedy founded by the Will of his son His Honour Judge Alfred Ravenscroft Kennedy, K.C. and that Mrs. Kennedy's wishes be ascertained.

Reported the theft from the Butler's room of two silver cigarette boxes, a silver snuff box and a bottle of claret and that the Under Treasurer has received £29.5.0 from the Law Fire Insurance in respect of the loss. [pp. 536, 537]

Read the following communication from Sir Henry Methold

Prompted by the exhibition of "Works of Art by Bench and Bar" held in the Old Hall, Lincoln's Inn in May 1939 and encouraged by my wife and supported (under oath of secrecy) by Vanneck who was staying here at

¹ The Master of the Rolls (Lord Greene) and Mr. Beebee had special dining rights in Lincoln's Inn: see *ante*, pp. 313, 314. For General Betts, see *post*, p. 475.

the time, I started in that year making a "Treasurer's Chair" for the use and I hope worthy of the dignity of that high office at Lincoln's Inn and similar to those used by the Masters of the Livery Companies of the City of London, and now after four years of intermittent work on it and having finished and upholstered such a chair, I am writing to ask you to ascertain whether the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn will graciously accept it as a gift from me notwithstanding that I recognise that the dimensions of such a chair may not be required for general use by the Treasurer on many occasions unless indeed the past and present habits of modesty shewn by our Treasurers in not sitting above their fellows undergoes some change, but even so I hope that you may possibly consider it may add some decorative feature to one or other of the Benchers Rooms or to the Hall.

I may add that I have just started to make a footstool to match the chair because few men's legs are long enough for their feet to reach the floor when the occupant of the chair is comfortably seated because the seat is 25½ inches above the floor level.

Ordered that the gift be gratefully accepted. [pp. 538, 539]

Council held on November 25th, 1943. [p. 540]

Twenty Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee except for the question of salary rises. At the request of the Treasurer the question of salaries was referred back to the Finance Committee as notice thereof had been inadvertently omitted from the agenda paper sent out to members of the Finance Committee.

Upon consideration of the extension of the Under Treasurer's engagement the Committee recommend

1. That the appointment be extended at the pleasure of the Bench for a period not exceeding two years.
2. That his salary be raised to £1000 per annum as from the 1st December 1943 and that he be paid an additional bonus of £100 per annum as from the same date in recognition of the additional work due to the War.

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Upon consideration of the following communication from Mr. Cuthbert Lake

**TROLLOPE & COLLS ACCOUNT AND WAR DAMAGE
SETTLEMENT ON 1ST, 2ND AND 3RD CLAIMS**

The position is that I can now give my final certificate amounting to £815.5.4 for Messrs. Trollope & Colls' work which includes the retention money. The amount which Trollope & Colls are entitled to under the contract is £20,836.18.3. The amount which the War Damage Commission are prepared to make an assessment of is £18,916.13.1. The difference, being £1920.5.7, is

made up partly of work which the War Damage Commission claim is maintenance repairs and not war damage repairs, and these I cannot dispute; practically the whole of the remainder is the contention made by the War Damage Commission that the builders profit must be based on the scale of remuneration set out in the Ministry of Home Security's Contract A.R.P. Department, which contract is applied indiscriminately for Government work, such as the building and laying out of aerodromes, and the extensive works of Municipal Authorities where it is justifiable, and the succession of contracts of this nature entail, whereas in the case of the Inn the works arose from damage to a limited number of buildings involving a relatively moderate outlay. Subsequently further damage occurred spread over a period of some nine months not of great individual extent but involving a number of buildings. Hence Trollope & Colls contend that a *flat* rate of remuneration should be applicable and not a *diminishing* scale as provided for in the Ministry's contract. In my view this contention is valid; but it is another matter to convince the War Damage Commission, although I hope to get their present view modified.

If your Committee, after considering the position indicated in this letter, agree, I will draw the final certificate for £815.5.4. and will forward this to Trollope & Colls with whom I have gone into the matter very closely, and who offer to make an allowance of £1000 on their bill when the position between the Honourable Society and Trollope & Colls will be as follows

(a) Trollope & Colls proposed allowance	£1000
(b) Less amount of final certificate	£815. 5.4
Leaving a balance to be paid by T. & C. of	<u>£184.14.8</u>

and this amount I will suggest they send to me by their cheque made out to the Honourable Society.

It is a generous gesture such as I should expected of Trollope & Colls after my nearly 40 years experience of meeting them over contracts they have carried out for me, and particularly because I am satisfied from inside knowledge that they are not making prosperous times' profit out of their general business.

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Recommend the issue of final certificate on the basis of Mr. Cuthbert Lake's letter of 9th November 1943 with an expression of appreciation of the manner in which Messrs Trollope & Colls have dealt with the matter. [pp. 542-545]

Council held on December 21st, 1943. [p. 546]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported the presentation to the Inn of a silver cup by Lady Farwell in memory of the late Mr. Justice Farwell and that he had written the Inn's thanks and will arrange for a suitable inscription on the box or on the ebony stand." [p. 546]

"Ordered that Charles Eustace Harman, Esq., K.C. and Henry Wynn Parry, Esq., K.C. be requested to check the wine in the cellars." [p. 546]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee other than the suggested bonus of £100 to the Under Treasurer

Upon consideration of the question of the increases of salaries recommended at the previous meeting, which had been referred back to the Committee by the Council at the request of the Treasurer, as notice thereof had been inadvertently omitted from the agenda paper sent out to the members of the Finance Committee

The Committee recommend

That Mr. Marriott's salary be increased from 1st December 1943 to £1000 per annum with a War bonus of £100 per annum.

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It was agreed that the increase on the Under Treasurer's salary is not necessarily to be taken into consideration when the time comes for his pension to be determined. [p. 547]

Treasurer: Lord Justice Luxmoore

The following Benchers died during the year

1. February 10 Judge Alfred Ravenscroft Kennedy, K.C.
2. April 15 Mr Justice Farwell
3. September 18 Sir George Lowndes
4. December 20 Mr Justice Bennett

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Charles R.R. Romer, K.C.
 2. Sir John Beaumont, K.C.
 3. Hubert Stanley Houldsworth, K.C.
 4. Not replaced
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Council held on January 12th, 1944. [p. 548]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Hon. Mr. Justice Bennett.

MEM: this vacancy not to be filled in accordance with the Order of Council of 18th May 1936. [p. 549]

"An application on behalf of the Law Society for a building site for that Society's School of Law was referred to the Building Committee for consideration and report." [p. 549]

Council held on January 31st, 1944. [p. 550]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: James Neville Gray, K.C. [pp. 548, 551]

Upon considering an application from Mr. Cuthbert Lake on behalf of the Law Society for a building site for that Society's School of Law it was Resolved that the Inn should notify the Law Society that they would consider the Law Society's application for a site in the circumstances. [pp. 551, 552]

Adjourned Council held on March 7th, 1944, [p. 554]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

"Ordered upon the motion of the Treasurer that the standing Orders relating to the election of Benchers be suspended so far as is necessary to enable the Honourable Mr. Justice Alfred Thompson Denning a member of this Honourable Society to be invited to the Bench..." [pp. 556, 557]

"The recommendation of the Garden Committee that the two small thorn trees in the circular beds on each side of the Brewster Gates in New Square be removed was Ordered to stand over generally." [p. 555]

Read the following communication from Mr. Cuthbert Lake re site for the Law Society's School.

"I have from the Law Society a request to enquire whether the Hon. Society would grant a 999 year lease of 22,100 feet super of land on the north side of the Gardens, and as this was so much in excess of any requirements which have hitherto been given to me, I have been down to the Society and seen the Secretary and gather from him that his Committee are tentatively considering the possibility of their being able to remove not only the Law School but the whole of the Society's activities from Chancery Lane to Lincoln's Inn Gardens.

"The original enquiry would have involved a letting of 5000 to 6000 feet super, which would have meant the letting of a slip of land on the west side, north corner of the Gardens which would have taken up land that is hardly viewed from the north windows of the Hall and Library, and not at all from New Square.

"Can you give me some lead as to whether such a proposal might be considered, or definitely would not be considered?..."

Resolved that the new proposals cannot be entertained [pp. 555, 556]

Council considered the case of Mr. S.A.C. Keelan. The Treasurer read statements made by him and by Dr. Rowland Hill on his behalf at a meeting of the Discipline Committee held the 24th February 1944. Adopted the recommendation of the Discipline Committee to the following effect

The Committee being of opinion that Mr. Keelan is not a proper person to remain a member of the Bar, but being of the opinion that his offences arise from pathological rather than moral defects, recommend that Mr. Keelan

be given an opportunity to leave the Society before his case is finally dealt with. [p. 557]

Adjourned Council held on April 3rd, 1944. [p. 558]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., K.C. to the Treasurer.

I have recently acquired from the collection of the late Mr. John Burns a first edition of Sir Thomas More's "Utopia" and an award by the King's Council made in 1528 signed amongst others, by Sir Thomas More. I should like, if the Benchers will accept them, to present these to Lincoln's Inn in further commemoration of the fact that I was Treasurer in the year 1935, which was the four hundredth anniversary of Sir Thomas More's execution and the year of his canonization.

If the Benchers will accept them, I should like to retain the custody of them during the war and should also like at the end of the war, if I am then alive, to be consulted as to the place and manner in which they are to be kept. It is my wish (so far as reasonable precautions for their security and preservation permit) that they should be available as frequently as possible for inspection by the Benchers, and on special occasions, or with special permission, by other members of the Inn, and other approved persons as the Benchers may determine.

FIRST EDITION OF UTOPIA

The first edition of "Utopia" which is now extremely rare, was printed in 1516 by Theodore Martin at Louvain. The copy which I am offering to the Benchers was bound by Bedford. The arms on the cover are the Britwell arms. It was for many years in the Britwell Library and was purchased by Mr. John Burns on the sale of that Library in 1919.

THE AWARD BY THE KING'S COUNCIL

This Award was made in 1528 and relates to a dispute between Richard Tate and Richard Eden concerning the Manor of Welleleigh in Berkshire. The Award, after reciting the facts of the dispute, and that the Council had examined witnesses, decided in favour of Richard Tate. The signatories other than Sir Thomas More, are Sir Henry Guildford, Master of the Horse and Controller of the Household, Richard Wolman, Chamberlain to Henry VIII, and Sir John Gage, Vice Chamberlain to Henry VIII.

A vote of thanks to Sir Felix Cassel was carried by acclamation. [pp. 561, 562]

"The President of the Royal College of Surgeons for the time being was invited to lunch at the Benchers table on such occasions as may be convenient to him during the period of the present War." [p. 562]

"Sidney Alan Cowley Keelan was allowed to leave the Society disbarred at his own request with a view to practise as a professional accountant." [p. 562]

The following report of Mr. Charles Harman K.C. and Mr. Henry Wynn Parry K.C. on the stock of wine in the cellars was referred to the Wine Committee.

In accordance with the resolution of Council passed on 27th January 1944¹ we made a physical check of the wine in the cellars including the consumption cellar. The result is shown in the list annexed and initialled on each page by us. For this purpose we were supplied by the Under Treasurer with a list compiled from his books showing the quantities of each wine which should have been in the cellar.

We found that the quantities of each wine in the cellar corresponded with the quantities shown in the above list. We were of course unable to make a complete audit, but at a later date we made a series of tests in the Under Treasurer's books from which the list was compiled, and in each case found that the quantities shown in the list corresponded with the quantities shown in such books. We are therefore satisfied that up to the issue of wine to the consumption cellar the system in operation works and the correct quantities of wines were in the cellars other than the consumption cellar.

We were unable to make a satisfactory check of the wine after it entered the consumption cellar. The wine in the consumption cellar is consumed partly at the Benchers table at lunch each day, partly at Council and Sunday lunches, partly after Council meetings and partly at the Students table. Only in the first of the above cases is the wine sold.

In order to make an effective check it would be necessary to disregard the cash involved and to regard only the number of glasses consumed relating those to the bottles issued to the butler. We were informed by the Under Treasurer that his information from the butler was that in the case of the glasses used at the Benchers table six glasses go to the bottle while in the case of the glasses used at all other meals eight glasses go to the bottle. Upon this basis we made a test on a page of a book shown to us by the Under Treasurer, which showed in one column, over a period, the number of persons at Sunday lunches and at the Students table totalling 43 persons and in another column the number of bottles of port issued. On the above basis of eight and six glasses respectively to the bottle there would appear to be a deficiency of three bottles opened but unaccounted for, which in our opinion, demonstrates that the present system is at least unsatisfactory.

We would add that after leaving the Under Treasurer we went to the butler's pantry, where, with the aid of an empty port bottle and the two types of glasses, we ascertained by twice filling the bottle with water that in fact, upon a very generous basis, in the case of the glasses used at the Benchers table somewhat over seven glasses go to the bottle while in the case of the glasses used at other meals just over seven glasses go to the bottle, these glasses holding in fact a trifle more than the glasses used at the Benchers table at lunch.

¹ *Sic.* There was no Council meeting on January 27th, 1944. The reference should have been to the Council Meeting on December 21st, 1943: *ante*, p. 462.

Our conclusion therefore is that while we can report that the correct quantity of wine was in the cellars other than the consumption cellar on the date of our physical check, we were unable to make any effective check on the wine once it entered the consumption cellar. We do not suggest on the information before us that anything has occurred which should not have occurred but in our view the system in operation after the wine enters the consumption cellar is unsatisfactory and should be revised. [pp. 562–564]

Council held on April 18th, 1944. [p. 565]

Twenty Benchers present.

Resolved that the President of the Royal College of Surgeons be allowed to pay for his lunch but not his drinks for the time being and that the whole question as to the sale of drinks to non-members be referred to the Finance Committee. [p. 566]

Read the following communication from Arthur Cole to the Treasurer

The subsistence money which is paid to me as a firewatcher here has been saving up to reach something worth offering to the Inn for the Library. It is now about £20, and subject to your approval I should like to hand over that amount at once (for life is so uncertain) to be used by the Librarian in his or the Committee's discretion for binding or some other object not being the ordinary purchase of law books. I know that much binding or repair is still needed. The offer is made anonymously; I hope to be at today's council meeting, and a nod from you will be enough token of approval—if you do approve.

(καὶ κυανέῃσιν ἔπ' ὀφρυσὶ νενυσε Κρονίων¹)

I can then give a cheque to the Under Treasurer. [p. 566]

Council held on May 1st, 1944. [p. 568]

Sixteen Benchers present.

"It was referred to the Finance Committee to consider the possibility of increasing the net revenue of the Inn." [p. 570]

"Granted an application from the Mayor of Holborn for the use of the Gardens on Saturday afternoon 17th June for an entertainment to 50 wounded soldiers from Roehampton and Ordered that the public be excluded from the Garden for that afternoon." [p. 570]

Council held on May 15th, 1944. [p. 570]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: Christopher Leonard Fawell. [pp. 568, 571]

"Ordered that the resignation of the Rev. Dr. J.K. Mozley from the office of Preacher to the Honourable Society as from 29th September next on the

¹ Homer, *Iliad* I line 528. The son of Chronos [Zeus] bows his dark brow in assent.

ground of ill health be accepted with regret and thanks for his services, and that an invitation be given to him to lunch or dine at the Bench table and to use the Library of the Society at his pleasure." [p. 572]

"It was referred to the Finance Committee to consider the question of renewing negotiations with the Law Society with reference to a smaller site for their Law School on a 99 years lease." [p. 572]

Special Council held on May 22nd, 1944. [p. 572]

Sixteen Benchers present.

The Special Council was called to consider the application from a bencher of the Middle Temple for the use of the Chapel on the afternoon of Saturday 3rd June 1944. The bencher's desire was for a church service by the Rev. Dr. Macdonald, Rector of St. Dunstan's in the West, following the civil marriage of the bencher's daughter to an officer in H.M. Army. The officer had been the successful petitioner in proceedings for divorce and the Bishop of London had prohibited the solemnisation of matrimony in churches in the Diocese of London in cases where one of the parties had been a party to divorce proceedings, however innocent he or she may have been.

After the Council had been convened it had been found possible to restore the round church of the Temple Church sufficiently to enable the marriage service to take place there, the Master of the Temple intending to officiate.¹ In these circumstances the Treasurer read a letter from the bencher in question expressing his cordial thanks for the great kindness shown to him by his friends in Lincoln's Inn in connection with the matter and the Treasurer explained that it had accordingly become unnecessary for the Council to vote on whether the proposed church service in Lincoln's Inn Chapel should be authorised.

The Treasurer read a letter from Lord Clauson and put forward a resolution drafted by Lord Clauson who was unable for health reasons to be present to move it. The terms of the resolution are:

"That the Treasurer and the Dean of the Chapel be authorised and requested to afford to any benchers of either of the Temples or of Gray's Inn (while the Temple Church or Gray's Inn Chapel respectively are not available for use) such facilities for the use of the Chapel of the Society as such bencher would have been afforded by the authorised person controlling the Temple Church or Gray's Inn Chapel had those buildings been available for use."

The Council decided that the resolution was too general in terms and that it would be better to deal with all such applications by benchers of other Inns as they might arise on their own merits. [pp. 573, 574]

6th June 1944 (D Day): Allied Armies landed in Normandy.

¹ See David Dewar and Robert Dark: *The Temple Church* (1997) p. 152.

Council held on June 6th, 1944. [p. 574]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Read the following letter to Viscount Maugham from Viscount Bennett.

I have been thinking over the contents of your very kind letter written in response to my note indicating a desire to make a gift of £1000 to the Inn.

It occurs to me that possibly it might be more satisfactory for me to give the money to Lincoln's Inn in trust to be held as part of its permanent endowment fund for educational purposes and on such terms and conditions as the Benchers of the Society might from time to time think most desirable. That would leave a discretion to the governing body, if I have correctly described it, to utilise the income annually, or every three years or more if they think desirable, for any educational purpose they decide upon.

The sooner the Inn becomes possessed of the money the better, having regard to Death Duties, and I am therefore enclosing my cheque for £1000 payable to Lincoln's Inn. May I ask you to be kind enough to take appropriate action in the matter. We can settle the terms of the gift later after conference with the Treasurer, if, as and when you think that is necessary....

Ordered that Lord Bennett's gift be gratefully accepted by the Society and that the Treasurer be requested to convey to him the expression of its gratitude. It was referred to a Special Committee consisting of the Treasurer, Lord Maugham and three other Benchers to consider the most suitable educational trust upon which the gift should be held. [*pp.* 575, 576]

Read the following report of Mr. Riviere and Mr. Harman on the pictures in the custody of Mr. Walker.

On the 13th May at the request of the Treasurer we paid a visit to Shipton-under-Wychwood to inspect the pictures belonging to the Inn which are in the keeping of Mr. Herbert Walker for the purpose of restoration, in most cases after the damage suffered from damp at the premises of Judge Roope Reeve.

Mr. Walker lives in a house in the grounds of a larger house belonging to Lord Latymer now unoccupied, and uses the outbuildings of this larger house as his workshop and for the storing of the pictures. These outbuildings are built above ground of Cotswold stone, roofed with stone slats and are light and airy. They are very suitable according to Mr. Walker for the storage of the pictures which apart from possible bombing are not likely to suffer any further harm there.

We found that the work required to be done upon the pictures by Mr. Walker had been practically completed by him in the case of all the pictures removed from the premises of Judge Roope Reeve except in the case of the portrait of Sir Richard Glanville which had been in a very bad state and was still in course of treatment. All the work had in our opinion been very well and efficiently carried out and the result was very satisfactory

and we doubt whether it would be possible for any one but an expert to detect that any of the pictures had suffered the damage from damp which they had done and which according to Mr. Walker was in a great many cases very considerable. The work of restoration involved was necessitated not only by the damage suffered from damp but by incompetent restoration and neglect in the past and we agree with Mr. Walker in thinking that as the result of the work carried out by him, the collection is now in a better condition and probably of greater value than before the War.

Mr. Walker informed us that the pictures which entailed some of the most difficult and arduous work were the Reynolds portrait of Lord Loughborough and the Geddes portrait of Lord Brougham. The former is painted upon panels which had separated owing to the damp and the picture, which had been badly restored in the past, required like most pictures by Reynolds its own special treatment owing to the variety of pigments and the experiments tried by the painter. In the case of the Geddes portrait, which now looks to be once more in good condition, Mr. Walker informed us that it had been greatly damaged by damp and admitted that he had been obliged to do a considerable amount of painting upon it. The portrait of H.M. King George V though having suffered considerable damage, now appears to be practically in its original condition.

Mr. Walker was, not unnaturally, somewhat reticent about his methods. It was impossible for us to detect how far if at all the unfinished pictures had been touched up by him. In the case of the Glanville portrait above mentioned, it was obvious that considerable overpainting would be required to some spots where the original pigment was entirely missing and to others where old restorations were clearly visible as the result of the process of cleaning. The panels on which the picture was painted were coming apart and old fillings between them would we were informed be taken out and renewed. If the finished result be (as we assumed it to be) as successful as in the other cases nothing of these defects will be apparent.

In the case of the prints in his possession all but 2 or 3 had been satisfactorily restored and he was at work on the remainder. In regard to the Coats of Arms removed from the Hall, Mr. Walker recommended that they should be mounted upon a material like millboard which could be attached to the wall by screws so that the whole panel would be readily detachable and showed us one so mounted. It was agreed that he should fix it in its place when he was next in Town so that it might be seen whether this process was satisfactory.

Mr. Walker states that before returning the pictures to Lincoln's Inn he desires to do some slight amount of further work upon them, and appears to be ready to retain them at his premises until after the War and made no suggestion of charging for so doing.

In view of the great amount of work entailed we do not consider that the fee of £1400 proposed to be charged by him for the restoration of the pictures

removed from the premises of Judge Roope Reeve is excessive, and as the work on these is almost completed we recommend that he should now be paid a further sum of £400 making £1200 with the £800 already received by him.

He reported that on his last inspection of the Watts fresco at the end of the Hall he had discovered that in its last restoration it had been treated with some substance containing soda which had damaged it but that he did not think that this needed any further immediate treatment.

We suggest that the question of the insurance of the collection against risks other than War damage needs consideration.

The insurance of the pictures was referred to the Finance Committee. [*pp.* 576–578]

Reported that under the terms of his will, the late Sir William Searle Holdsworth O.M., K.C. has left to Lincoln's Inn his "two handed fluted silver vase". Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to convey to Lady Holdsworth appreciation of the gift. [*p.* 579]

"Read a communication from P.A. Marrinan asking if he might be reinstated. Ordered that he be informed that no useful purpose would be served by such a petition." [*p.* 579]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon considering the possibility of increasing the net revenue of the Inn It was Resolved to recommend to the Bench that the Benchers be invited to pay £7 a year subscription having regard to the financial position of the Inn. . . . It was referred to the Wine Committee to consider sale of further wine.

Recommended that negotiations be renewed with the Law Society with reference to a site in the north west corner of the Garden of 10,000 feet on a 99 year lease. [*p.* 580]

Council held on June 26th, 1944. [*p.* 582]

Fourteen Benchers present.

"An invitation from the Haldane Society inviting the Inn to send one or more delegates to a National Conference on Legal Aid was declined." [*p.* 583]

Adopted the following report of the Wine Committee except as to Students' port which stands postponed.

Ordered that not more than one glass of port be sold to any Bencher at luncheon the price to remain as at present i.e. 1/6d.

Recommended that during the rest of the War no port be served to Students except on such special occasions as the Treasurer shall decide.

Recommended the sale of 96 dozen claret and 91 dozen of port, on terms that half the price realised be set aside to replenish stock at the end of the

War. The wines chosen for sale were *Port* Cockburn 1912 and Cockburn 1927; *Claret* Pichon Longueville and Lascombes.

Upon consideration of the report of Mr. Harman and Mr. Wynn Parry on the check of wine after issue to the consumption cellar. Ordered that the Chief Butler be directed to enter in the day book the number of bottles opened, the number of glasses sold and the amount of money taken. [*p.* 583]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

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Reported the death of J.W. Bagwell, late bricklayer and a pensioner of the Honourable Society. He played a prominent part in the restoration of the Old Hall. Ordered that the regret of the Masters of the Bench be communicated to his relatives.

Approved a recommendation of the Building Committee that No. 4 Stone Buildings basement be repaired at an estimated cost of £654.10.- of which £150 is expected to be recovered as War Damage. The estimated rental value is £200 per annum.

Upon consideration of the question of the sale of drink to non members of the Inn it was resolved to take no further action. [*pp.* 583, 584]

Reported that in response to the appeal by H.M. The King a Service of Intercession was held in the Chapel on 14th June 1944. [*p.* 584]

It was left to the Treasurer to decide whether a Bench dinner or lunch should be held at the end of July. [*p.* 584]

Council held on July 24th, 1944. [*p.* 584]

Fifteen Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

"Upon considering the question of the appointment of a Preacher consequent upon the resignation of the Rev. Dr. J.K. Mozley, the Committee recommend that no permanent appointment be made in the circumstances of the present time before the end of this year; that if it is possible to hold services in the Chapel it be left to the Treasurer and Mr. Justice Vaisey to invite Preachers for Sundays in Michaelmas Term; that the Treasurer ask Dr. Mozley to preach on the 15th October and that Mr. Justice Vaisey ask Mr. Rich to preach on the 22nd October; that an honorarium of £5.5.- be offered to the select Preachers aforesaid.

"The Committee recommend the re-appointment of Mr. Trevor, the Organist, for one year from the 29th September next, at the same salary which he now enjoys (£125 p.a.) and to continue all existing arrangements as to payment of the Choir." [*p.* 585]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following items

Ordered that the offer from the Ministry of Works to rent the Old Hall at 25 guineas a week on a weekly tenancy be accepted as from Monday 24th July.

Reported that the sale of wine at Restalls realised £4,583 this wine having cost the Society £382.

Ordered that the net proceeds of the sale be invested in 3 p.c. Saving Bonds and that one half be allocated to the Wine Committee for the purpose of replenishing the cellars after the War.

Ordered that port be continued to be served to Students. [*pp.* 585, 586]

"Leave to Mr. W.J. Trower to dig a short slit trench in the New Square Garden was granted subject to the approval of the Committee of Proprietors if necessary." [*p.* 586]

BOOK XLVII

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1944. [p. 1]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Ordered that a Re-construction Committee be appointed consisting of the Treasurer, the ex-Treasurer and other Officers of the Society," and six other Benchers. [p. 2]

Ordered that the following letter from the Treasurer to the Treasurers of the other Inns be approved and that it be referred to the Scholarship Committee to act accordingly.

You will recall that the four Inns of Court agreed in November 1939 "that it is not desirable that Scholarships should be granted during the War." No doubt the time has not yet arrived to abrogate this rule which was intended to prevent students who are immune from War service obtaining an undeserved award over those engaged on active duty. It has however occurred to a number of the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn concerned with the award of scholarships that cases are now arising in which this absolute bar may involve injustice on men or women who have claims to be considered for scholarships and who have been discharged by reason of wounds or ill health contracted on War Service.

... I propose to recommend to the Council of Lincoln's Inn when it meets at the beginning of next term that the ban on War time scholarships should be waived in any case in which in the opinion of the Scholarship Committee the circumstances render it desirable that a scholarship should be awarded. I have no doubt that this recommendation will be adopted by our Council and hope that the same policy will commend itself to the Masters of your Bench as being a proper policy to pursue until the time comes ripe for a complete cessation of the ban on scholarships.

I shall be grateful if you will let me know your views on the matter as we should of course be anxious if possible to avoid acting out of concert with the other three Inns. [pp. 2, 3]

Read the following report dated 16th August of the Under Treasurer on the damage caused by enemy action on 13th August 1944

A flying bomb¹ fell at 7.45 a.m. on Sunday 13th August near the corner of Cursitor Street. I was dressing at the time. The Master of the Night Watch

¹ Colloquially known as a "doodle-bug" or V1 (Vergeltungswaffe—retaliation weapon).

who had just come off duty was going to bed. We were both on the scene in a very few minutes.

We found that considerable damage had been done to the Inn but that almost miraculously there were no casualties. The worst damage was caused to Nos. 24 to 26 Old Buildings where all the windows, frames, doors etc. have been smashed and the roofs lifted. The tall chimney stack over No. 25 Old Buildings was in a very dangerous condition and has now been taken down by the Holborn Borough Council. They will also deal with another dangerous chimney at No. 24 Old Buildings. The structure of Old Buildings seems to have stood the blast in a marvellous manner, though I still await the report of experts on its condition. Chancery Lane is still closed to traffic.

Many of the windows in Old Square, facing Chancery Lane have been broken. The roof of the Old Hall has been lifted. I have managed to get Messrs. Greenwood (a very reputable firm of builders) to undertake the repairs. They have six skilled men working on it and seem to be doing the job well. The stained glass has been damaged but not destroyed. The Old Hall is still being used as a Bankruptcy Court.

There is a large hole in the roof of the Chapel over the organ. I have given priority to this by our own workmen and have now got it weatherproof. The plain glass in the Chapel has been broken. I have requested the Organ Builders to inspect the organ and report.

The Great Hall has had the temporary windows blown out but otherwise only superficial damage. Half the glass of the Library was broken. I telephoned to Mr. Hodgkinson and Mr. Fairchild, who came up (it being a Sunday). They cleared up the mess and put the books in safety. I recalled the Foreman of the Works who was on holiday.

On Monday I evacuated some of the tenants from Nos. 24 to 26 Old Buildings to unlet chambers in the Inn as a temporary measure. My chief anxiety at the moment is the condition of the roofs in Old Buildings, which are open to the weather. The Holborn Borough Council have promised to start repairing them tomorrow, and I can only pray that the fine weather continues until they have been made weatherproof.

On Sunday I had visits from the Mayor of Holborn, the Town Clerk, the Borough Surveyor and the Superintendent of the Police who all wanted to help in every way. At the request of the police I closed the gates of the Inn to prevent looting. I asked for two policemen to be sent to guard the Inn but they only sent one. However he turned out to be the fattest policeman I have ever seen and must have weighed at least 18 stone.

I received the utmost assistance on Sunday from the Master of the Night Watch, Mr. Hodgkinson, Mr. Fairchild and the two porters on duty (both of whom are old age pensioners) and with one or two exceptions (which I have dealt with) from all members of the staff particularly the Foreman and Master Carpenter on the following days. Mr. Cuthbert

Lake has been at my right hand throughout and has been most helpful.

Mr. Vaughan Williams, Mr. Waite and Mr. Arthur Cole have seen the damage for themselves and have all approved of the action which I have taken. [pp. 3-5]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

The action taken by the Under Treasurer and the Surveyor regarding the Hall windows was approved and it was ordered that the two oriel windows be filled with transparent material. The Library windows were ordered to be repaired by our own staff with the existing stock of glass and if not enough with new glass. It was authorised that the Chapel windows be re-filled with the cheapest material to keep the Chapel wind and weatherproof pending restoration of our stained glass. [pp. 5, 6]

"It was referred to the Finance Committee to consider a donation to the Under Treasurer with reference to the expense of his daughter's operation with power to act."¹ [p. 6]

"Read a communication from Mr. C.T. Trevor accepting his re-appointment as Organist for a further year." [p. 6]

Read the following communication to the Treasurer from General C. Betts,² Headquarters, European Theater of Operations, United States Army.

Enjoyment of my pleasant sojourn in London these past two and a half years has been made the more delightful because of the hospitality and friendship permitted me by the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn. Please make known to them how grateful I am for their gracious courtesies to me—lovely memories which will enrich my years. [p. 7]

Council held on November 2nd, 1944. [p. 7]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Sir Thomas Strangman, K.C. [pp. 1, 8]

Ordered upon the motion of the Treasurer That Professor Geoffrey Chevalier Cheshire D.C.L. of Exeter College, Oxford, Vinerian Professor in Law, a Barrister of this Honourable Society be invited to become an Honorary Bencher with precedence on the Bench next after William Cleveland-Stevens K.C. ... [p. 8]

Officers for 1945: [p. 9]

Treasurer: His Honour Hugh Sturges K.C.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Viscount Maugham

Dean of the Chapel: Alfred Malcolm Latter K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Wilfrid Mortimer Hunt.

Master of the Walks: His Honour Tom Eastham K.C.

¹ The Finance Committee awarded £105.

² General Betts was present when Queen Mary was elected a Bencher: *ante*, p. 459.

Council held on November 24th, 1944. [p. 12]

Sixteen Benchers present.

Upon the motion of Lord Justice Morton that the Finance Committee be asked to consider the question whether any further Coats of Arms should now be painted up in the Hall and to report to the Council thereon Ordered that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee, the enquiry to include any other names of past Treasurers. [p. 14]

Adjourned Council held on December 21st, 1944. [p. 17]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee:

The Solicitor reported the completion of the purchase of chambers on the ground floor and basement south of No. 2 New Square.

The death of Mr. Cyril Marriott (temporary second clerk in the Under Treasurer's office) on the 2nd December last was reported. [He was the Under Treasurer's brother]

Recommend the Council to concur in a suggested donation of 100 guineas by the four Inns of Court to Mr. Riches, Librarian of the Bar Library at the Royal Courts of Justice on his completion of 50 years service.

Adopted a recommendation from the Building Committee that the 3rd floor south at No. 9 Old Square be converted for residence at an estimated cost of £275.... [p. 18]

Adopted the following rules governing the precedence of Benchers

1. Subject as hereinafter stated precedence among Benchers is determined by the date of appointment to the Bench and is not affected by any judicial or other office however high or by any seniority at the Bar or elsewhere.
2. The Treasurer is the head of the Society and takes precedence over all other Benchers and Members of the Society. A Bencher who has filled the office of Treasurer takes precedence over all Benchers who have not filled that office.
3. The Treasurer shall preside at all meetings of the Council and Committees.
4. In the absence of the Treasurer (subject to Clause 5 hereof) the Bencher available who has most recently filled the office of Treasurer shall be Acting Treasurer for all business purposes. For all other purposes including Calls to the Bench and Bar the senior Bencher available shall be Acting Treasurer.
5. Every Committee may appoint a Vice Chairman who shall preside in the absence of the Treasurer. The Master of the Library, the Dean of the Chapel and the Master of the Walks shall be ex-officio Vice Chairmen of their respective committees. [pp. 19, 20]

Read the following communication to the Treasurer from Lord Finlay, Chairman of the Law Advisory Committee of the British Council.

As you perhaps know, the British Council is the official body through which cultural relations between Great Britain and Allied countries are regulated. In this connection the Council has recently been asked by the American Military Authorities in London whether arrangements might be made with the Inns of Court for a grant of certain privileges to American officers and men.

It appears that after the last war a number of American soldiers who were then in England pending their repatriation to the U.S.A. were very kindly allowed by the Inns to "sit in" at the lecture courses provided for students of the Bar, and in some cases were also permitted to take meals in one or other of the Halls.¹

The American Military Authorities, recalling the very high value placed upon these privileges by those who enjoyed them, are anxious to know whether the Inns might be prepared to grant similar privileges to certain officers and men selected from among those who are expected to be stationed in England during the first few months following the cessation of hostilities in Europe.

The British Council feel that the present request of the American Military authorities is not without some importance to the future of Anglo-American political and cultural relations. They realise that it may not be possible, in the conditions created by enemy action, to provide meals for American guests at the Inns, but they hope it may be possible to provide facilities of an educational character. The British Council would assume joint responsibility with the Americans for the cost of the facilities so provided.

I may add that the British Council have not yet discussed this matter in any detail with the American Military Authorities and do not know what is likely to be the extent of the demand in question. Before going any further, however, the Council felt they would wish to ascertain your views and I would be grateful if you would kindly let me know what you feel about the proposal.

A copy of this letter is going to the Treasurer of each of the other Inns.

Ordered that educational facilities be granted subject to approval of the Council of Legal Education. The question of meals was regretfully postponed. [*pp.* 20, 21]

The Treasurer presented a medal struck in 1845 to commemorate the opening of the new Hall. [*p.* 21]

Treasurer: H.H. Judge Sir Gerald Hurst, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 2 Sir William Holdsworth, O.M., K.C.
2. April 23 Bryan Farrer

¹ See *ante*, p. 148 (1920).

3. August 19 Lord Romer
4. September 28 Lord Justice Luxmoore

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. James Neville Gray, K.C.
2. Charles Leonard Fawell
3. Sir Thomas Strangman, K.C.
4. Not replaced

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Council held on January 11th, 1945. [p. 22]

Eighteen Benchers present.

"Referred to the Finance Committee the report of the Under Treasurer that George Bell (lower vestibule porter and Bench waiter) and his wife and daughter have been killed by a direct hit from a rocket bomb." [pp. 22, 23]

Council held on January 31st, 1945. [p. 24]

Twenty Benchers present.

"Gratefully accepted the presentation to the Inn by Lady Luxmoore of a set of Chippendale bookcases in memory of Lord Justice Luxmoore, now in the chambers at No. 4 New Square which he previously occupied." [p. 25]

"Gratefully accepted an offer from Mr. Arthur Cole to present to the Inn a painting by Miss Anne Airy of the Hall in September 1944." [p. 25]

Adjourned Council held on March 6th, 1945. [p. 26]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Adopted the Motion of Sir Herbert Cunliffe K.C. that no further action be taken under the Order of the Bench made the 18th day of May 1936 with respect to the non-filling of every fourth vacancy on the Bench and that in future every vacancy on the Bench be filled in accordance with the ancient custom of this Society." [p. 26]

"Ordered that an offer from Mrs. Greenland to present to the Inn £100 for the purchase of books or a piece of silver in memory of her late husband, be accepted the Treasurer asking her to leave it to the Bench to decide on what to expend the £100." [p. 27]

"Adopted the report of the Kitchen Committee recommending that steps be taken to find a suitable Catering Manager and authority was given to the Kitchen Committee to appoint such person as they may think fit." [p. 27]

"Adopted the recommendation of the Chapel Committee that the Rev. Prebendary C. Cheshire be appointed Preacher to this Honourable Society to the end of Hilary Term 1946 at a salary of 200 guineas per annum." [p. 28]

"Adopted the recommendation of the Garden Committee that the two small thorn trees in the circular beds on each side of the Brewster Gates in New Square be removed." [p. 28]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon reading a communication from the Controller of Stamps that he is prepared to return to the legal representative of a Student who has lost his life whilst serving in H.M. Forces the Stamp Duty of £25 paid on admission to the Inn, provided that the Inn also refunds the Admission Fees. [The Committee] recommended the condition be accepted. [p. 28]

"Ordered that the Admission Fees of David Hillyer Marsh who has been killed in action be refunded to his Father." [p. 28]

"The Treasurer was requested to write a grateful letter for an offer to present to the Inn a portrait of the late James Alexander George Smith Esq."¹ [p. 28]

Council held on April 10th, 1945. [p. 29]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

David Llewelyn Jenkins, K.C. [pp. 27, 30, 31]

Edward Ackroyd [pp. 27, 31]

Ordered that Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan K.C.S.I. be invited to become an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society with precedence on the Bench immediately below the Rt. Hon. Sir John Beaumont. [p. 31]

"Ordered that the suggestion of the Middle Temple that a Joint Committee of the Four Inns and the Council of Legal Education be appointed to confer with representatives of the India Office and the High Commissioners Office on the question of the welfare of Indian Students coming to this country for further studies, be approved and the Right Honourable Sir John Beaumont be appointed to represent this Honourable Society on the proposed Committee." [pp. 29, 30]

Read a communication from Prebendary Cheshire accepting the office of Preacher to this Honourable Society. [p. 31]

Council held on May 7th, 1945. [p. 32]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 27, 33]

William Valentine Ball, O.B.E., Senior Master of the Supreme Court.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following.

Upon considering how to expend the £100 presented to the Inn by Mrs. Greenland in memory of her late husband, Sir Herbert Cunliffe undertook to procure designs for a suitable piece of silver. [p. 33]

¹ The portrait is not in the possession of the Inn, which has no record of having received it. J.A.G. Smith was admitted as a student on October 29th, 1906. He was then aged 52, and described as of the Jamaican Government Service. He was Called on January 26th, 1910.

"The Treasurer reported that he had seen Mr. Bereford Heaton [one of the vendors] who has agreed to sell the chambers on the ground floor and basement north of No. 8 New Square for £5,500." [p. 34]

Ordered that a Thanksgiving Service be held in the Chapel on the Wednesday in the first Term week following VE day at 4.15 p.m.; That a tea be served in the Hall after the service to which Benchers are entitled to bring one guest and that Barristers of the Inn be invited with one guest and Students of the Inn without a guest, answers to the invitation to be sent to reach the Under Treasurer by not later than noon on the Monday before the service; That Messrs. Tannskey & Co.'s estimate for providing the tea be accepted. [p. 34]

"Upon considering what steps should be taken to celebrate the Centenary of the opening of the Hall on 30th October next, the Treasurer was requested to see the representative of H.M. Queen Mary and to report to the Council." [p. 34]

"Granted an application from the Mayor of Holborn for the use of the Gardens on 16th or 23rd June next for a party to be given by the Holborn Civil Defence to wounded and disabled soldiers." [p. 34]

"The Treasurer was requested to write and decline with regret an offer to sell to the Inn an oil painting of the south end of the Hall by R.G. Eves." [p. 34]

The Hon. Mr. Justice Evershed reported that since the last Council meeting and acting on the authority conferred on him by the Council, he and his colleagues had interviewed a number of applicants for the post of Catering Manager at the Inn, including some candidates submitted by the Ministry of Labour. He said that after careful consideration they had selected Mrs. Gladys Scott who in their opinion was well qualified for the post. She had excellent qualifications and was 38 years of age. As she was immediately available they proposed subject to Council to appoint Mrs. Scott on the terms that she came for a trial period ending on 31st July and thereafter (if she continued) at three months notice on either side; her salary would be £450 p.a.

Mr. Justice Evershed then reported that he had seen the Kitchen superintendent, Mr. Mead and informed him of the Council's decision and of the impending change. As Mr. Mead had served the Inn for over 10 years, Mr. Justice Evershed expressed his hope that the Council would treat Mr. Mead generously in regard to pension or gratuity.

Mr. Justice Evershed further reported that as a result of his enquiries he thought (a) that the general question of salaries should be examined as it appeared that current rates were not in all cases being paid and (b) that the Council through one or other of its Committees ought to take a larger and more personal interest in the members of its Staff.

Council decided:

1. Adhered to its previous decision and approved the appointment of Mrs. Scott; notice to be given to Mr. Mead.

2. Mr. Mead to be given an opportunity of seeing the Kitchen Committee which was authorised to award to Mr. Mead such gratuity as it thought fit.

3. Staff relations to be undertaken by the Kitchen Committee with the assistance of such other Benchers as they should get to co-operate with them. [*pp.* 35, 36]

Upon considering a communication from the Inner Temple suggesting a Joint Conference of the Four Inns to consider offers of help from the Dominions and United States of America in reconstruction of the Inns; Ordered that the Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel, Bt., K.C. and His Honour Judge Sir Gerald Hurst, K.C. be re-appointed to represent Lincoln's Inn on the conference. [*p.* 36]

The question of the return of the Inn's pictures, silver and mss. was referred to the Reconstruction Committee. The question of the resumption of dinners in Hall was referred to the Kitchen Committee. [*p.* 36]

VE day: 8th May, 1945. End of the War in Europe.

Council held on May 29th, 1945. [*p.* 37]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported his meeting with the representatives of the other Inns regarding the award of scholarships.

Ordered that it be referred to the Scholarship Committee with power to act as to the number of scholarships to be awarded." [*p.* 37]

An offer from Mr. Justice Cohen to present to the Inn a collection of prints and a plaster bust of the late Lord Jessel was accepted with thanks and it was referred to the Picture Committee and Mr. Justice Cohen to decide [whether] to keep the prints in a portfolio or as framed.¹ [*p.* 38]

Read the following communication from Mr. Arthur Cole to the Treasurer:

I write to ask your leave to bring before the Council a suggestion which has the support of one or two Benchers and is, I believe, to be regarded as unobjectionable by some others. It is that in honour of Victory in Europe this year, and perhaps also in memory of members of the Inn who have died a concert of chamber (or perhaps piano) music should be given in the Old Hall, or possibly even in the Great Hall of the Inn towards the end of July.

¹ The reference to "Lord" Jessel is a mistake for Sir George Jessel, M.R. (1824-1883). On June 26th 1945 the Picture Committee ordered that the pictures were "to be hung in such place as the Treasurer may from time to time decide." Unfortunately no record was kept of their subsequent positions, and the collection as such cannot now be identified. Further, the plaster bust (by Alvago 1883) was unaccounted for when the catalogue of portraits was last compiled.

The plan as at present formed in outline would be to invite an audience from without, a limited number of guests from each of the other Inns and to reserve room for any members of this Inn or its staff who cared to apply for tickets; the music being as good as possible (say for example the Griller quartet, or Denis Matthews as pianist if available) and any crowding of seats or admission after music has started being particularly avoided. It is hoped that concerts of this kind, maintaining a high standard of music heard under favourable conditions and at no expense for the audience, might become a regular feature of the end of Trinity Term in this Inn. I have consulted our Organist, Mr. Trevor, and he welcomes the proposal.

As to cost this year, it is thought that this would not exceed £100 and could be found (without any burden on the Inn's finance) by some of those Benchers who favour the idea; I would offer to bear one half up to £50.

The suggestion was agreed to and the arrangements for a concert on a suitable date in July was referred to a committee consisting of Henry Wynn Parry K.C., Arthur Cole and the Organist.¹ [pp. 38, 39]

Council held on June 18th, 1945. [p. 41]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Ordered the Field Marshal the Hon. Sir H.R.L.G. Alexander, G.C.B., C.S.I., D.S.O., M.C., A.D.C.² be invited to become an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society with precedence on the Bench next after the Treasurer. [p. 43]

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee, except that there be no sale of rooms and that no tenancy be granted except subject to three months notice at any time.

Upon considering a petition from the members of the Building Staff for two weeks holiday with pay instead of one. Ordered that the petition be granted for this year, but in future years only to men of five years service with the Inn and subject to the approval of the Finance Committee. A similar petition from the Porters was granted for this year only, subject to the approval of the Finance Committee.

Upon considering an application from Messrs. Edwin Son and Edgley for the Inn to sell or rent to them two rooms on the second floor of No. 6 New Square, recommend to the Finance Committee the sale subject to Mr. Cuthbert Lake's estimate of the value if the sale is agreed to.

Upon considering a report that the L.C.C. have de-requisitioned the large room in the basement of No. 7 Stone Buildings formerly used as a Students Common Room, recommend to the Council to reinstate it as a Students Common Room.

¹ The concert was held in the Hall on July 25th, 1945.

² Created Earl Alexander of Tunis in 1952.

Upon considering an offer from the War Damage Commission to pay a further allowance of 220 guineas in respect of surveyors fees for first aid repairs, recommend to the Finance Committee that the offer be accepted.

Mr. Cuthbert Lake's letter of the 6th June 1945 re War Damage to the Inn and arrears of maintenance work was referred to the Finance Committee with a recommendation that the report be adopted but that when the suggested re-arrangements of the buildings are received the Architect of the Inn be consulted.¹ [pp. 42, 43]

"Granted the use of the Garden on Saturday 7th July for the Holborn District Brownie Packs Sports." [p. 44]

Upon the report of the Kitchen Committee that the engagement of Mr. Mead had terminated on the 11th June, Ordered that £325 be given to him as gratuitous compensation for the loss of his employment. [p. 44]

"It was agreed that the Treasurer, Mr. Justice Evershed and Mr. Waite act as a committee to keep in touch with the Staff in all matters that may affect them, with power to act." [p. 44]

Special Formal Council held on July 17th, 1945. [p. 45]

Fifteen Benchers present.

"Ordered that the Standing Orders relative to the election of Honorary Benchers be suspended and that General Dwight Eisenhower and Admiral of the Fleet Sir Andrew B. Cunningham Bart., K.T., G.C.B., D.S.O., be elected Honorary Benchers of this Honourable Society with precedence on the Bench immediately after the present Treasurer." [p. 45]

Adjourned Council held on July 24th, 1945. [p. 46]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read the report on the Empire Students Committee held at the Middle Temple on 6th July 1945 from which the following extract is taken

CARE AND SUPERVISION OF STUDENTS IN THIS COUNTRY

Resolved to recommend to the Societies:

1. That the four Inns of Court should appoint a Welfare Adviser to look after the welfare of Empire Students of the Inns of Court and that such Adviser shall as part of his duties endeavour to obtain the assistance of a number of persons each of whom would undertake to keep in touch with and befriend two or three of such Students.
2. That the four Inns of Court, in co-operation with the High Commissioner for India and the Colonial Office, should endeavour to institute and maintain a Residential Club or Clubs open to all students of the Inns of Court. It was understood that the High Commissioner for India

¹ See *post*, pp. 484, 485.

and the Secretary of State for the Colonies would consider making a contribution towards the expenses of both these schemes.

3. It was further resolved that this Committee, being of opinion that all Students who intend to practise should have the opportunity of reading in Chambers, recommend to the Societies of the Inns that they should endeavour to secure rooms which could be used by Members of the Bar for the accommodation of pupils.

The Council agreed in principle with the Report and referred it back to the Committee. [*pp.* 47, 48]

Adopted a report of the Discipline Committee which included a recommendation that the case of P.A. Marrinan be re-considered by the Council and Ordered that the case be referred back to the Discipline Committee for further written report including any information as to whether he has applied for re-admission to the Bar of Northern Ireland. [*pp.* 48, 49]

Adopted the following report of the Kitchen Committee

The appointment of Mrs. Scott as Kitchen Superintendent was confirmed at a salary of £450 per annum and on condition of three months notice on either side to terminate the agreement.

Ordered that the kitchen be closed from the 6th to 27th August.

Suggested that Guest Nights be arranged as far as possible for next term. Suggested that the menu be re-arranged so as to avoid the surcharge. [*p.* 49]

Adopted the following report of the Wine Committee:

Mr. Daynes was elected Vice Chairman

Recommend that the Inn purchase 3 dozen Australian Sherry for consumption before lunch on Sundays. [*p.* 49]

Adopted two reports of the Finance Committee from which the following extracts are taken.

The resignation of Mr. Robert Marriott, Acting Master of the Night Watch during the War, was accepted with thanks and appreciation of his services.

Recommend to Council that Benchers Term Fees be continued for one year.

Completion of the purchase of chambers on the Ground Floor and Basement north of No. 8 New Square for £5,500 was reported.

Upon consideration of an offer to sell to the Inn chambers at No. 8 New Square, and the Building Committee's recommendation to the Finance Committee to purchase part or whole of these chambers at a reasonable price, subject to fluid assets being available, recommend to the Council that in present circumstances the purchase of these chambers be refused.

Upon consideration of a recommendation from the Building Committee that Mr. Cuthbert Lake's report re War Damage and arrears of main-

tenance be adopted, Ordered that the recommendation be limited to Nos. 1 & 2 Stone Buildings and to be limited to War Damage and deferred repair and maintenance

Ordered that a donation of ten guineas be made to the Royal Courts of Justice Staff Sick and Provident Fund. [pp. 50, 51]

"Approved the payment of £25, the cost of printing a souvenir." [p. 52]

VJ day: 14th August 1945. Japanese surrender. End of the War.

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1945. [p. 53]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read the following communication from the General Council of the Bar.

As the scheme for American Forces lawyers as "observer pupils" in chambers is to be put into force from 15th October to the number of forty-two (and after November 10th twenty-one only) the Council would be glad to hear whether admission of a proportion of these to lunch with the Barristers could be arranged. The maximum number per Inn should not on any day exceed fifteen and no doubt often many of them will be lunching elsewhere, especially after a short time from the beginning when they have made contacts here.

If this could be permitted it would give them an opportunity of meeting barristers outside the chambers they go to and also an opportunity for barristers in Hall to meet them which should be mutually advantageous.

The Treasurer was requested to reply in the affirmative. [p. 57]

"Granted an application from the Ministry of Works to be allowed to hire the Old Hall on 14th November next." [p. 58]

Read the following letter from Miss D.M. Moore, dated 22nd September 1945.

Forgive me for troubling you to pass this letter on to the person chiefly concerned; I have been unable to find out his name and function for myself.

During the War years I have been working in a Government Office in Holborn, and before I leave I would like to tell you how much I have enjoyed the freedom of your lovely gardens (I refer to those usually reserved for "Members only"). Your action in allowing the public to share with Members of the Inn the peaceful beauty of their lawns and trees all through these years of bombing and mental strain has been appreciated by thousands.

It meant a good deal, in the midst of anxiety and physical weariness, to be able to wander at mid-day in a green heaven of quiet or to compose oneself there for a few moments after work. While it may be the opinion of some Members that the public has abused this privilege, I would like them to know that their sacrifice has reaped a great reward of gratitude.

I cannot help feeling that the atmosphere of the gardens has been spiritually enriched by the happiness, the dreams and the prayers of those who found sanctuary there for many brief moments stolen out of the long nightmare of war.

Ordered that this letter be recorded in the Black Book. [p. 58]

30th October 1945

On this day, it being the Centenary of the opening of the Great Hall and Library by Her Majesty Queen Victoria and Prince Albert, Her Majesty Queen Mary, the senior Benchers graciously visited the Inn and planted a walnut tree in the Garden opposite No. 2 Stone Buildings to commemorate the occasion.

Her Majesty was met in the Garden by the Treasurer, His Honour Hugh Sturges K.C., who presented the other Officers of the Society, viz: the Rt. Hon. Viscount Maugham, Master of the Library; Mr. Arthur Malcolm Latter K.C., Dean of the Chapel, Mr. Wilfrid Mortimer Hunt, Keeper of the Black Book; His Honour Tom Eastham K.C., Master of the Walks; and Mr. N.Y. Marriott, the Under Treasurer.

Her Majesty then visited the site selected and planted the tree after which she proceeded to the Drawing Room where she took tea with the Treasurer and Officers of the Society, those Benchers senior to them, Judges of the High Court and members of the Privy Council, all with their ladies—in all a party of fifty who sat at five circular tables. The remainder of the Benchers, Barristers and Students with their ladies to the number of 400 had tea in the Hall.

After tea Lord Maugham showed Her Majesty some of the Pictures, Mr. Hunt the Golden Book, in which he obtained her signature and Master Valentine Ball presented her with a bound copy of a souvenir he had prepared.¹

Her Majesty then visited the Great Hall where she was received with loud applause by the whole company. The Treasurer then spoke as follows

May it please Your Majesty.

We are all sensible that we are gathered here to-day to celebrate two important events in the history of this historic and ancient Inn. To pay tribute of thanks to Your Majesty for the honour conferred upon the Inn by so graciously consenting to join the Bench and thereby becoming our Senior Benchers. This has not only given joy and delight to all the members of the Inn, but has established a precedent that the status of woman shall no longer be any disqualification from holding its highest Offices. This day will always be remembered by the women members of the Inn with lasting gratitude.

Your Majesty's gracious presence to-day and the planting of a walnut tree has intensified the importance of the celebration of the centenary of the opening of this Great Hall and our now far famed Library by Her

¹ See *ante*, p. 485. A copy of the souvenir is held on the Library in the pamphlet collection under reference: Miscellaneous Pamphlets, vol. 165.

Majesty Queen Victoria just 100 years ago, now so mercifully and miraculously saved from any serious war damage.

The Benchers deeply regret that on the celebration of this centenary, owing to food shortage and other difficulties they found it impossible to hold a Grand Day and thus keep up our well established tradition to hospitality. I hope that I shall not be heavily fined for this omission. There is an entry in the Black Book under date 1553

“that the Treasurer was heavily fined for his miserable and miserly preparation to the scandal and disgrace of the Inn.”¹

Your Majesty is not a stranger to us. When King George V, a Treasurer and Bencher of the Inn, was coming to celebrate the re-opening of the Old Hall [but] was suddenly taken ill, causing great anxiety throughout the Empire, we remember with gratitude how courageously Your Majesty came and took his place so that the ceremony might proceed, a brave act which will never be forgotten and which has already been recorded with gratitude in the ancient and important annals, commonly called the Black Book of this historic Inn.

May I now on behalf of all members of the Inn, in all loyalty, in all affection and with enthusiasm tender to you (if I may say so) our Benefactress, Comrade and Royal Friend, our grateful thanks for your presence here to-day and with the earnest hope that Your Majesty may honour us again with your Royal presence in the near future when our ancient ceremonies and traditional hospitality can be restored.

After the speech Her Majesty walked down the Hall when various members of the Inn, including some returned prisoners of war were presented to Her Majesty by the Treasurer. Her Majesty then inspected the water colour painting of the opening of the Hall by Queen Victoria a hundred years ago, and some of the old silver and glass, and after inspecting the Library she left the Inn applauded by members who had gathered to witness her departure. [pp. 60-62]

Council held on November 2nd, 1945. [p. 63]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Viscount Maugham having stated that owing to his work at the House of Lords he regretted that he would be unable to accept the office of Treasurer, Arthur Malcolm Latter K.C. was chosen as Treasurer for the year 1946.

Ordered that standing Orders be suspended so as to provide that Lord Hailsham and Lord Maugham take such precedence among Benchers as they would have taken if they had filled the office of Treasurer for the years 1943 and 1946 respectively. [p. 67]

Other Officers for 1946: [p. 67]

Master of the Library: Wilfrid Mortimer Hunt.

Dean of the Chapel: His Honour Tom Eastham, K.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: John Herbert Stamp.

¹ See 1BB.305. The fine was 20s.

Read a communication from the Private Secretary to H.M. Queen Mary, conveying Her Majesty's thanks in respect of her visit on 30th October and concluding

"If you could obtain prints of the excellent photographs in to-day's 'Times' and of any other photographs taken during yesterday's ceremonies (unmounted and about postcard size), Queen Mary would very much like to have them for her album to remind her of a very happy afternoon at Lincoln's Inn." [pp. 63, 64]

Ordered on the motion of the Master of the Walks

1. That in the avenue north of the War Memorial the trees on the east side numbered 3 and 4 in the Report of the Curator of Kew Gardens and the tree number 3 on the west side be removed in as much as (1) they obscure the light of the chambers on the east side of the avenue, and (2) the trees have reached a stage when they are competing with each other for existence.

2. (a). That in the avenue north of the Library the policy advised by the Curator as set out in paragraph (b) of his report be adopted.

(b). That the Garden Committee be instructed to take further advice from the Curator as to where and when other trees should be planted so as to minimise the probability of all the trees in this area dying about the same time.

(c). That the large plane tree in the Kitchen Garden be trimmed as recommended by the Curator and that the estimate mentioned in resolution 3 be framed so as to include this work.

3. That the Master of the Walks be authorised to approach the Inns of Court Regiment regarding the desirability or otherwise of removing the field piece memorial and replacing it by a permanent tablet or plate in the Chapel. [pp. 65, 66]

"Granted, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made, a request from the Inns of Court Regiment to be allowed to regard Lincoln's Inn Chapel as the official Chapel of their regiment."

"Read a recommendation of the Kitchen Committee that a Guest Day for Bench and Bar be held on the 27th November. Ordered that there be a dinner for Benchers only and it was left to the Treasurer and Kitchen Committee to report to the next Council." [p. 66]

Read the following Resolutions passed by the General Council of the Bar on 26th October 1945.

In the opinion of the Bar Council

1. It is the duty of a member of the English Bar if properly instructed to appear in any Court in which he is accustomed to practise. This duty which arises from the exclusive right of audience accorded to the English Bar in the Courts of this country, includes the acceptance of a brief for the defendant in a case of treason against the Crown.

2. It is no part of the duty of an English Barrister to appear in any foreign Court before which, although he may be entitled to appear, he possesses no exclusive right of audience.

3. It is undesirable that a member of the English Bar should appear for the defence of War Criminals accused before the Military Tribunal at Nuremberg. [pp. 67, 68]

Council held on November 26th, 1945. [p. 70]

Thirty Benchers present.

Lord Simonds was appointed Master of the Walks for 1946. [p. 74]

Read the report of the Discipline Committee on the petition of Patrick Aloysius Marrinan to be re-instated as a Student. After reciting the previous history leading to the expulsion of Mr. Marrinan as a Student in 1943, the report continues as follows

His Petition to be re-instated in which he stated that early in the war he had tried to obtain a commission in the Army, Air Force or Navy, but was refused as he was not prepared to first serve in the ranks, was considered by the Discipline Committee on 18th July 1945 who recommended that the whole matter be referred to the Council for re-consideration. The Council referred the matter back to the Discipline Committee for consideration and report.

The Committee read letters from Barristers of Northern Ireland including one from Mr. Cecil Lavery, Leader of the Northern [Ireland] Bar in support of his Petition.

Having regard to the type of offence, the Committee unanimously came to the conclusion that the time had arrived when he could properly be re-instated and accordingly bring this recommendation to the notice of the Council

Council ordered that the Petition be refused. [pp. 75-77]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1945. [p. 78]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"The Master of the Walks reported that in accordance with the Council's resolution he had met the Commanding Officer of the Inns of Court Regiment (Col. Lawson, D.S.O., M.C.). Col. Lawson agreed that the Field Piece Memorial should be taken down and a permanent memorial plate or tablet be erected in the Chapel.

"Resolved:

(1) that the Council approves the removal of the gun.

(2) that the matter of the memorials be referred to the Chapel Committee."

[p. 78]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon considering the question of the extension of the Under Treasurer's appointment Recommend to the Council that the Under Treasurer's appointment be extended to 25th December 1946 and also that Mr. Fairchild be informed that he will be appointed Under Treasurer as successor to Mr. Marriott if conditions then remain as at present and that the necessary arrangements for the change of Under Treasurer be considered at the Council next June.

Mr. Cuthbert Lake was instructed to obtain an estimate and the necessary licence to put the windows in order in the Library and Hall. [p. 79]

"Ordered that Mr. E.F. Iwi be thanked for a memorandum on the congestion caused at the Divorce Registry, Somerset House." [p. 80]

Treasurer: His Honour Hugh Sturges, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 29 H.H. Judge Francis Wallace Galbraith, K.C.
2. February 13 Hubert Francis Flower Greenland
3. February 19 Evelyn Riviere, O.B.E.

Biographical notes.

1. Galbraith. b.1872. M.P. East Surrey (U) 1922-1925. County Court Judge in Leicestershire from 1935.

2. Greenland. b.1871. Conveyancer. Retired from practice some years before death owing to ill health. In 1953 his widow's will established a scholarship in his memory.

3. Riviere. b.1876. Son of Briton Riviere, R.A. Evelyn Riviere "was a pupil of the late Crossman J., and his training in those somewhat austere chambers combined with his natural temperament resulted in Riviere becoming a Chancery practitioner of the best type. He was an equity draftsman and conveyancer of the first rank and had a large equity practice." (199 L.T. News. 68)

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. David Llewellyn Jenkins, K.C.
2. Edward Ackroyd
3. Sir William Valentine Ball, O.B.E.

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Council held on January 11th, 1946. [p. 82]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Council approved a suggestion contained in the routine report on the revision of the list of Standing Committees "that Honorary Benchers with special knowledge be invited to attend meetings of the Scholarship Committee to advise as to proposed candidates." [p. 83]

"Granted an application from the Chancery Bar Lodge to be allowed to revert to its evening meetings and dinners in the Benchers Rooms." [p. 83]

"The estimates for the removal of trees in the Garden were read and discussed and the question of their removal was referred back to the Garden Committee to consider and report whether the scheme should be proceeded with having regard to the cost and whether any less expensive scheme should be substituted." [p. 83]

Council held on January 31st, 1946. [p. 85]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"Adopted a report dated 17th January 1946 of a Special Students Committee recommending that in considering the special circumstances in which Regulation 1 of the Consolidated Regulations may be relaxed or dispensed with and without in any way limiting the general discretion of the Masters of the Bench thereunder, regard should be had to the general standard of education attained by the applicant. In the case of students of non European origin a generally high educational standard including proficiency in the English language may be regarded as a special circumstance for the purpose of relaxation of Regulation 1 so as to exempt the student from passing an examination in Latin, and that this resolution be communicated to the other Inns of Court." [p. 85]

"Adopted the report of the Garden Committee recommending that the scheme for the removal of some of the trees in the garden which was approved by the Council on the 18th December 1945 be proceeded with and that Mr. Killick's tender of £225.15.- be accepted." [p. 86]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following:

Upon considering the report of the sub-committee appointed to consider the number of employees to the Inn viz. "that, beyond recommending the retirement of the Head Gardener on pension next November, the Committee have been unable to advise any reduction in the Staff." The Recommendation was approved except that the retiring of the Head Gardener was not approved and this question is to come up before the Garden Committee and Finance Committee in June next. The wages of Pichelmayer to be increased to £6 per week.

The estimates for providing electric radiators under the windows in the Drawing Room and Council Room were accepted.

The admission fees paid by Lieut. Commander [George Herbert] Goodman, G.C., O.B.E., who has been killed in action were ordered to be returned to his legal representative.

The Under Treasurer was given authority to dispose of beds and blankets (which had been purchased for the use of the Fire Watchers) at his discretion at cost price, as far as required and to report as to balance, if any. Medical stores purchased for the First Aid Room are to be given to Charing Cross Hospital subject to retention of First Aid requirements.

[pp. 86, 87]

Adjourned Council held on March 7th, 1946. [p. 89]

Eighteen Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee.

"The Committee recommend the re-appointment of Prebendary C. Cheshire as Preacher to this Honourable Society until the end of the Trinity Sittings 1947 at his present salary of £210 per annum. The question of re-appointment to be considered in June 1947." [p. 90]

Agreed in principle the report of the Empire Students Committee from which the following extracts are taken.

1. For many years, perhaps indefinitely, law students from India and from other countries which owe their administration of justice to the British system, will wish to come to England to be called to the English Bar and to study at its source the system which has conferred great benefits upon their countries. So far as India is concerned, it appears certain that in spite of the pending constitutional changes the tendency will be for a greater number of students to come to England than before the War.

2. None can deny that by meeting sympathetically and effectively the desire of overseas students to be called to the English Bar the four Inns of Court will be promoting and fostering the goodwill and bonds of common purpose and understanding so essential to the harmonious relationship within the British Commonwealth of Nations.

It is a matter of great importance that the stay in England of overseas students should apart from their legal studies be made successful and happy; how important this is can perhaps only be fully appreciated by those of us who have some knowledge of the countries from which the students come. Most overseas students are gentlemen of colour, who are highly sensitive by nature and whilst they are quick to appreciate kindness they are easily hurt and embittered. A great deal of harm has been done in the past by tactless and ill-considered conduct displayed towards these students, who it must be remembered are coming into surroundings and to a way of life which is utterly strange to them. London night life and such places as the Hammersmith Palais de Dance simply do not exist in their countries. It may be said that this applies to many visitors from overseas, but we urge that our overseas students are first and foremost Bar Students entitled to hope that the educational establishment which they are coming to join will offer them its protective interest.

3. We have had the advantage of holding meetings with the representatives of the India Office, the High Commissioner for India and the Colonial Office (hereinafter called "the representatives") and our discussions with the representatives have been conducted not only in an atmosphere of cordiality but with complete frankness and plain speaking. We have been told that of all the overseas students who come to England to attend educational institutions, it is the law students who are the worst looked after and who consequently give the most trouble. It was intimated by the representatives that as matters

stood before the War, they would far rather see the legal education conducted by or through one of the universities who by nature of their curriculum are able to maintain close contact with their students. At the same time the representatives told us of their own difficulties which are to the effect that in their quest for independence the average overseas student never comes near his country's representatives in England unless and until he has got into some serious trouble....

4. India and some of the other countries concerned have been promised independence and self-government by the British people and are being invited to take part in a Comity of Nations on the basis of equal partners. Great as we feel are the mutual advantages of overseas students coming to this country to seek Call to the Bar, we would rather they did not come at all than that they should return embittered or with a sense of having been unfairly treated. We believe that the question which we have been appointed to consider is one of national importance and that the welfare of overseas students demands, in present circumstances, a wholly different approach and treatment to the scant attention which it received before the War.

5. Having reached this point we examined with the help of the four Under Treasurers the figures of the number of students in each case who were attending and came to this country from overseas in each of the three years 1936, 1937 and 1938 in order to get an idea of the size of the problem involved. The following figures indicating the number of students in each case who were attending a university are the result.

ADMISSIONS TO THE FOUR INNS OF COURT 1936-1938

(Number of University Students in brackets)

	India	Colonies	Total
1936	107 (49)	53 (26)	160 (75)
1937	113 (54)	51 (26)	164 (85)
1938	84 (38)	60 (25)	144 (63)
	<u>304 (141)</u>	<u>164 (82)</u>	<u>468 (223)</u>

It will be seen that out of a total of 468 admissions, 245 students were unattached to any university, and of the remaining 223 students attending a university it is estimated that more than half were attending either London University or London School of Economics, and of these the majority were not provided with any living accommodation. As the average stay in England of an overseas Bar student is three years, it means that on the pre-war figures there were over 300 and possibly over 400 Bar students in London at any given time unattached to a university and with no living accommodation provided for them. The largeness of these figures came as a surprise to the representatives as they did to us, and they create a formidable problem in any consideration of the future when the acute shortage of accommodation in London and the expected increase in the number of Bar students in the post-war years are taken into account.

6. As a result of our discussions with the representatives we found ourselves in entire agreement with them on three main points

(i) that some sort of protection of an advisory character should be available to overseas Bar students, particularly with regard to their living accommodation.

(ii) that with the shortage of living accommodation in London it will be very difficult for overseas Bar students who are unattached to any university to find for themselves respectable living accommodation and that this is a question in which the four Inns of Court ought to concern themselves.

(iii) that it is desirable that steps be taken to provide some residential club or clubs or hostels for Bar students and that in them there should not be any segregation of overseas students from English students. [*pp.* 92–96]

[The report goes on [*pp.* 96–99] to recommend the setting up of a joint committee charged with the welfare of Bar students; the appointment by the committee of a full time welfare adviser; and ultimately the establishment of a residential club with sleeping accommodation for not less than 220 students, the site of such a club to be provided by one of the Inns of Court. All are discussed in some detail]

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee:

“Upon considering the question of offering the whole of the old Common Room premises at No. 7 Stone Buildings to the Council of Legal Education on lease for the conversion of those premises to provide offices, lecture rooms and common room for the use of students of all four Inns, the suggestion was approved in principle ...” [*pp.* 99, 100]

Reported the receipt of £324.16.5d. being the amount of the legacy bequeathed to the Inn by the late Sir Harry Eve “in remembrance of many happy hours” Ordered that [three named Benchers] be appointed an informal committee with power to co-opt, to suggest how the money can best be expended and to report to the next Council. [*p.* 100]

Adjourned Council held on April 9th, 1946. [*p.* 102]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following:

The budget of the Library Committee at £2329, and that of the Chapel Committee at £617 were approved.

The following recommendations of the Building Committee were approved.

(1) That Mr. Lake be authorised to proceed with work required to be done to prevent further deterioration of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Stone Buildings at a cost of £2771.

(2) That Mr. Lake be authorised to proceed with the restoration of glazing and stonework of the Chapel windows at a cost of £350.

(3) That the reparation of glazing and stonework of the windows in the Old Hall be proceeded with at a cost of £1258.

"Reported the execution of a Deed of Trust relative to the Bennett Prize. Resolved that the amount of the Prize on this occasion be £100. That the subject be 'The Judicial Committee of the Privy Council'. Papers to be sent in by the 1st March 1947 and award made in the month of April 1947." [p. 105]

"Ordered that the legacy left to the Inn by the late Right Honourable Sir Harry Eve be applied in purchasing Decanters and the balance in providing a dinner for the Benchers and practising members of the Inn." [p. 105]

"Ordered that the practice of reading Grace in Hall be suspended until dinners are resumed in Hall." [p. 106]

"The Treasurer informed the Council of the discussion of the Joint Conference of representatives of the four Inns with reference to the offers of help from the Dominions and United States of America towards the reconstruction of the Inns and of the suggestion that each of the Inns should furnish a rough estimate of the sum required for making good the war damage. The Treasurer further reported that Mr. Cuthbert Lake's rough estimate of the sum required by this Inn is £200,000 of which perhaps £100,000 might be provided by the Government and it was agreed that his estimate should be forwarded to the Secretary of the Joint Conference." [p. 106]

"Agreed that subject to Government help in obtaining the necessary provision of food and light wines, that a dinner be given to entertain the Attorney General of the United States of America." [p. 107]

"Agreed that Sir Harold Howitt¹ be invited to lunch at the Bench Table whilst sitting on the Coal Commission Committee." [p. 107]

Council held on April 30th, 1946. [p. 108]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Reported the death of Harlan Fiske Stone, Chief Justice of the United States of America, an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society. [p. 110]

Read the following communication from Gray's Inn

At a Pension held the 10th April 1946. The Masters of the Bench considered the Order of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn relating to the special circumstances in which Consolidated Regulation 1 may be relaxed or dispensed with. Resolved as follows:

1. That in the case of students of non-European origin a generally high educational standard including proficiency in the English language should not in itself be regarded as a special circumstance for the purpose of relaxation of Regulation 1 so as to exempt the student from passing an examination in Latin.
2. That each applicant for exemption from passing an examination in Latin should be considered separately with reference to the special circumstances of the individual case.

¹ (1886-1969). President of the Institute of Chartered Accountants 1945-6.

3. That every student so exempted should be particularly warned that the examination in Roman Law may include passages from Justinian's Institutes for comment and translation.

4. That these resolutions be communicated to the other Inns of Court. [pp. 108, 109]

"Reported the death of J.H. Buckthorpe the last of the Badge Porters and a Pensioner of this Honourable Society."¹ [p. 110]

Council held on May 27th, 1946. [p. 112]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

David Bowen, K.C. [pp. 105, 115, 116]

Alfred James Long, K.C. [pp. 109, 116]

Adopted the report of the Kitchen Committee which contained the following Rules for waiters.

1. Waiters on arrival are to change in the Waiters Room into uniform and to change back in the same room immediately before departure. Their clothes must be left in that room during their service.

2. Waiters serving from 11-3 only are not to leave the premises during the hours of service.

3. All staff (other than kitchen staff) are to lunch in Hall as soon as possible after Members of the Inn have left and in no other place. Free beer will be served at the rate of half a pint a head and must be consumed at the table.

4. No beer is to be sold to the staff. The key of the beer cellar will be kept in the Office till 12.40 when the Butler (after consultation with Mr. Fairchild) will be responsible for drawing as much beer as is required for Members luncheon and will then return the key to Mr. Fairchild.

5. At 2 o'clock the Butler will report to the Office how much (if any) of the beer drawn is not consumed and will if necessary be given the key to draw so much more beer as is required to give the staff each half a pint for their lunch. [p. 114]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following: [pp. 114, 115]

A donation of £20 was ordered to be given to the Society of Comparative Legislation.

An application from Cambridge House (Trinity Hall) Free Legal Advice Centre for assistance was refused.

Expenditure for uniforms for the Porters was authorised and Porters who have been in the employ of the Society for five years were granted an annual holiday of two weeks with pay.

Ordered that a committee consisting of the Treasurer and five other named

¹ See 5BB.lxviii, lxix for Badge and other porters. For Buckthorpe's retirement, see *ante*, p. 347.

Benchers be appointed to consider the advisability of inviting Members of the Inn who are not Benchers to serve on the administrative committees of the Inn, or any other methods whereby Members of the Inn generally may be kept better informed of or associated with the affairs of the Inn. [p. 116]

"Ordered that a Council be held on 18th July to be followed by a Bench dinner at 7 p.m." [p. 116]

Council held on June 18th, 1946. [p. 117]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Chief Justice F.M. Vinson of the United States of America was invited to become an Honorary Bencher.¹ [p. 123]

Read the following report by Mr. H.O. Danckwerts.

On 27th May 1946 the appeal of Patrick Aloysius Marrinan former student of this Inn (whose name had been removed from the roll of Students of the Inn on the 1st March 1943, as a result of his conviction for harbouring uncustomed goods on the 22nd May 1942, for which he was sentenced to fines amounting to £4500 or six months imprisonment) from the refusal of the Benchers of this Inn to reinstate him was heard by the Lord Chancellor, the Lord Chief Justice and three Judges of the King's Bench Division. Mr. Marrinan was represented by Mr. G.O. Slade, K.C. and Mr. H.O. Danckwerts attended on behalf of the Benchers to give such information as the judges might require. The appeal was dismissed without any reasons being given.

As some discussion took place on the jurisdiction of the Judges in the case of the admission or re-admission of a student, it is thought desirable that a note should be preserved in regard to the visitatorial jurisdiction of the Lord Chancellor and the Judges. [The note is in Appendix 6] [pp. 118-121]

"Ordered that Mr. Fairchild be appointed Under Treasurer as from Christmas 1946 subject to his remuneration and the terms of his appointment being arranged. These matters and the question of Mr. Marriott's pension are referred to a special meeting of the Finance Committee to be held at a date to be fixed by the Treasurer." [p. 121]

"Referred to the Finance Committee an offer to sell to the Inn a City of London Freedom Casket made in 1820 bearing the Arms on the lid of the City and the Arms of Brougham." [p. 122]

Council held on July 18th, 1946. [p. 124]

Forty-two Benchers present.

Approved the following recommendation of the Council of Legal Education for the re-wording of Regulations 47A and 47B of the Consolidated Regulations.

¹ Frederick Moore Vinson (1890-1953) was appointed Chief Justice of the United States in June 1946. Since July 1945 he had been Secretary of the United States Treasury.

C.R.47A. In the case of student who at any time since the 3rd September 1939 has been serving in H.M. Forces the Council of Legal Education if satisfied with his educational and legal qualifications may recommend that he be exempted from the whole or part of the Council's Examinations subject to such conditions, if any, as to reading in Chambers, attendance at the Council's tutorial classes or otherwise as the Council may think desirable, and the Benchers of the Inn of Court to which the student belongs may if they think fit accept such recommendation so far as it extends in lieu of the certificate mentioned in Consolidated Regulation 38.

C.R.47B. The Council of Legal Education may, so long as the conditions arising out of the war make it in their opinion expedient so to do, modify, amend, or suspend any of the provisions of any of the foregoing Regulations 19 to 33 both inclusive, so far as they relate to examination procedure. [*pp.* 124, 125]

Read communications from the other Inns of Orders approving the above. [*p.* 125]

Approved the following scheme proposed by the Bar Representation Committee

1. A meeting of Barristers of Lincoln's Inn who are not Benchers should be held in October or November with the Treasurer in the chair. For the purposes of such a meeting a notice, in the form annexed, should be sent out to every Barrister of Lincoln's Inn who has an address in the Law List. Subsequent meetings which are to be held annually, could be called by notices on the Screens and in the Common Room.
2. The only business at this meeting would be the election by the Barristers present of (say) six of their number to serve as a committee (which might be called "The Bar Representation Committee") for the following year. Two members of that committee should retire each year and not be eligible for re-election within two years, so that a growing number of Barristers would have experience of it.
3. The functions of the Bar Representation Committee would be:
 - (1) To obtain information for the benefit of non-Benchers, from those who are qualified to give that information.
 - (2) To bring to the notice of the Benchers any matters of complaint or suggestions from the non-Benchers.
 - (3) Generally to collaborate with the Treasurer and Masters of the Bench in securing a happy and contented atmosphere throughout the Inn.

The best method of enabling the B.R. Committee to discharge these functions is a matter for further discussion. It is suggested that as a starting point a committee of six Benchers, including the Treasurer, should be set up to act as a liaison committee and to meet the B.R. Committee at regular intervals. The functions of this committee might be found to be capable of development after discussion and experience. How far the

B.R. Committee should be given information as to the way in which the Inn is run is a matter which can be considered later, when it is seen what information is required. [pp. 125-127]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following Alterations in the Clerks' Room of the Under Treasurer's Office were approved and the sale of surplus frames, piano and globes at a price to be approved by the Treasurer

Recommended that the Benchers term fees be continued

Ordered that the piano be presented to the Holborn Borough Council for use at its Youth Centre, the Globes are to be retained and the picture frames got rid of gratis. [pp. 130, 131]

Adopted the following report of the Picture Committee:

Reported receipt of the portrait of the late Lord Justice Kennedy by George Richmond bequeathed to the Inn by His Honour Judge Kennedy K.C.

The Committee recommend that the Under Treasurer be authorised to sign Sothebys authorization for sale at such reserves as are advised by Sothebys and agreed to by the Committee. The pictures are:

1. The Pordenone, attributed to Giorgione with the woodcut.
2. The portrait of John Locke.
3. G. Bazzani. The Adoration of the Child.
4. The eighteenth century picture in the tortoiseshell frame of the Lady with a cat.
5. School of Fontainebleau: Portrait of a lady as Venus with Venus and Mars.

The Committee leave to Council the decision as to the portrait of Bishop Tillotson 1630-1694 (English 18th cent.) and a portrait of a Gentleman unknown (Spanish School)

Sothebys to be asked to dispose of the remaining pictures on the floor of the Hall without reserves. Mr. Harman undertakes to give Sothebys such information as we have about the pictures.¹

Recommend acceptance from Holroyd Pearce Esq., K.C. of a portrait of Chief Justice Willes.

Mr. Arthur Cole to continue negotiations with Hind and Wright as to listing engravings.

Ordered that further enquiry be made as to the two pictures Nos. 89 and 107 missing from the Hall.

That steps be taken to attach to portraits and busts at present unnamed a label recording the name of the subject and (where known) the artist and date.

¹ For the result of the sale, see *post*, p. 508.

Recommended that the picture of Prynne be purchased at a cost not exceeding £100 subject to the approval of the Finance Committee, and of further enquiry being made by Mr. Justice Evershed and the result is known of this.

Ordered that the portrait of Bishop Tillotson and of the Gentleman Unknown be sold. [*pp.* 131, 132]

Adopted the following report of the Empire Students Committee

1. The representatives of the four Inns met at Gray's Inn on 21st June 1946 to consider the report of the Empire Students Committee dated 14th February 1946.

2. We feel that the Inns can properly accept without reservation the main thesis underlying the report, viz. that if the Inns of Court are prepared to continue to receive overseas students from India and the Colonies, it is not only the duty of the Inns but also in their best interests to see that (in addition to making available a sound legal educational system) such steps as are practicable are taken for the students' welfare so that they will look back to their stay with pleasure and not with embitterment.

3. On the other hand, we feel that in present circumstances when building facilities are unlikely to be available for many years, it is not practicable to ask the Inns to accept, even as an ultimate aim, the establishment of a permanent Bar Students Residential Club. It may well be that, when circumstances change, such an enterprise may be both possible and acceptable, or of course, each Inn may then prefer to make its own arrangements for housing its own students.

4. Although we recognise the representatives of the High Commissioner for India and of the Colonial Office may be most helpful in furnishing the Inns or their representatives with information as to the needs of the students coming from their respective territories and generally as to the problems which may arise in those territories out of the experiences of students whilst in this country, we feel that the Inns would be well advised not to accept the principle of admitting such representatives to direct membership of any organisation for which the Inns are responsible.

5. We accordingly recommend that the following action be taken on the recommendations contained in the report

(1) [amendment of Consolidated Regulation]

(2) That there be set up a permanent Committee of two representatives of each of the four Inns of Court and the Director of Legal Studies for the time being of the Council of Legal Education.

(3)(a) That such Committee appoint a full time Welfare Adviser who should preferably be a Barrister with experience of welfare work at a salary not exceeding £800 a year rising to £1200 a year. That such Committee and the Welfare Adviser be invited to arrange for a number of senior members of the legal profession to undertake to take an interest in two or three overseas students so that each overseas

student would have someone in a non-official capacity from whom he could seek advice and who would from time to time take an interest in the student's progress.

(3)(b) That the whole salary of the Welfare Adviser and of his proper expenses should be borne equally by the four Inns of Court.

(4) that no action be taken at present with regard to the proposal to establish, ultimately, a Bar Students Residential Club.

6. We further recommend that the permanent Committee so to be set up be charged with the duty of preparing in due course a communication to be sent to the representatives of the High Commissioner for India and of the Colonial Office in relation to the matters to which those representatives attached importance such communication to be submitted to and approved by each of the four Inns before being dispatched.

Ordered that the contribution by the Inn be authorised of one quarter of the salary and proper expenses proposed to be paid to the Welfare Officer, the form of the contribution to be referred to the Finance Committee. [*pp.* 133-135]

"Agreed that the question of any further felling of trees should stand over until the autumn." [*p.* 135]

Adopted the following recommendations of a Special Finance Committee held on 18th July 1946.

That a City of London Freedom Casket made in the year 1820, of Heart of Oak, measuring $4\frac{1}{2}'' \times 3'' \times 1''$ heavily bound with gold, bearing the arms of the City on the lid and the arms of Brougham with the motto "Pro Rege Lege Grege" on one side, the box being completely lined with hall marked eighteen carat gold, the inside of the lid being engraved as follows:

At a Common Council holden in the Chamber of the Guild Hall of the City of London on Thursday the 7th day of December 1820

Thorp, Mayor

Resolved

That, as the impartial administration of justice and the security of the rights and liberties of the subject, depend greatly upon the qualification of Advocates at the Bar, the Freedom of this City, in a Box made of Heart of Oak, of the value of 100 guineas be presented to

HENRY BROUGHAM ESQ., M.P.,

The Queen's Attorney General, in manifestation of the sense this Court entertains of the inviolable integrity unshaken firmness and distinguished talents, which he has displayed in defending Her Majesty against the Bill of Pains and Penalties, introduced into Parliament from the King, and depriving Her of Her Right and Dignities as Queen of this Realm.

Woodthorpe

and the Bags in which the Great Seal was carried be purchased from Messrs. Spink and Son at a price of £250 out of the bequest to the Inn by the Right Honourable Mr. Justice Eve as a memorial to him.

That Mr. Fairchild's salary as Under Treasurer be at the rate of £850p.a. rising by annual increments of £25 to £1000 p.a. with free luncheon and residence, subject to same terms and conditions as Mr. Marriott's appointment in Black Book of 27th November 1937.

That in consideration of Mr. Marriott's fifty-six years service to the Inn and his very valuable work during that time he be awarded a pension of £1000 a year during his life and his wife be granted an annuity of £250 a year during the remainder of her life if she survives him, both the pension and the annuity to be the subject of covenants by the Inn. [pp. 136, 137]

Adjourned Council held on October 14th, 1946. [p. 141]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

M. Donnedieu de Vabres, the French Judge on the Nuremberg Trial was invited to become an Honorary Bencher. [p. 142]

"Ordered that the Curator of Kew be further consulted as to the trees in the Garden having regard to the effect of the tree already felled." [p. 142]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee:

An appeal for a donation to St. Paul's Cathedral Restoration Fund was declined.

A portrait of Prynne, presented to the Inn by Mr. Hunt was accepted with thanks.

The resignation of Mrs. Davey, and the Under Treasurer's report that he has engaged Miss Catherine O'May as a shorthand-typist at a wage of £4 per week was reported. Mrs. Davey's resignation was accepted with regret and a gratuity of £50 granted to her... [p. 143]

The Treasurer reported the proceedings of a meeting of Lord Porter's Committee appointed to consider offers of help from the Dominions and United States of America, minutes of which are as follows.

The Chairman read to the Conference letters which had been exchanged between Mr. John W. Davis, Mr. Dwight Whitney and himself dealing with the subject of American offers of help in reconstruction of the Inns of Court and more particularly with the proposal for a central general library for the four Inns to be erected on a site in Serjeants Inn.

The members of the Conference discussed the difficulties of this proposal which arose from the lack of any estimate of the costs involved in the purchase of the site and the erection of a building, the provision of books and the expense of maintenance; while at the same time all the

Inns required considerable sums (much in excess of what would be received from the War Damage Commission) for the more immediate necessity of repairing and reconstructing their damaged buildings.

A suggestion was made for the establishment of a general fund to which members of all the Inns might contribute and to which also the United States of America and the Dominions might be asked to subscribe, and it was proposed that a letter be written for circulation stating the amount of damage suffered by the Inns and asking that, as the sums received from War Damage Insurance would not cover the cost of re-building, any contribution to this fund might be used to make a pool out of which any excess expenditure on the reconstruction of the four Inns could be defrayed in common.

The Chairman pointed out that the Treasurers of the four Inns must all be consulted before the foundation of such a general fund and the conference therefore requested him to communicate at once with Mr. Dwight Whitney before the latter's return to America. The Chairman was asked to explain to Mr. Whitney the difficulties which militated against the proposal for the building of a general library in Serjeants Inn, the cost of the building and the site, the provision of the books and the expense of maintenance; and to enquire how far it would appeal to benefactors in the United States to subscribe generally towards the expense of special objects to be earmarked as American gifts. The special objects which the Conference had in view were the Middle Temple Hall, the Temple Church, the Inner Temple Library and Gray's Inn Hall and Library; for although these would probably attract a cost of works payment from the War Damage Commission such payments would not cover the entire expense and the Inns would like to have a free hand in disposing of any gift received from America while at the same time bearing in mind these special objects and the consequent necessity of making some acknowledgment of the gift in perpetuity. It was thought for instance, that in the case of books or of stained glass (instead of the plain glass envisaged by War Damage Insurance) a suitable inscription would form a proper and permanent record to American generosity, and that appropriate recognition would be similarly devised for all the other special objects of their benevolence.

NOTE: The Chairman communicated these views of the Conference to Mr. Dwight Whitney immediately after the meeting, and also informed him that a similar message would be given to Mr. Justice Birkett before his visit to America. [pp. 144-146]

Council held on November 4th, 1946, [p. 147]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Read a communication from M. H. Donnedieu de Vabres accepting the invitation to become an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society. Ordered that his precedence on the Bench be immediately after the present Treasurer." [p. 148]

Officers for 1947. [p. 148]

Treasurer: Wilfrid Mortimer Hunt

Master of the Library: His Honour Tom Eastham, K.C.

Dean of the Chapel: John Herbert Stamp

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Simonds

Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr. Justice Vaisey.

"Ordered that the contractors be asked to proceed to remove the remainder of the trees in accordance with the amended recommendations of Mr. Campbell." [p. 151]

Council held on November 25th, 1946. [p. 155]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 142, 156]

Arthur Samuel Ward, K.C.

John Benjamin Lindon, K.C.

"Adopted the recommendation of the Wine Committee that Vintage port be no longer served for lunch and that Government port be substituted at the present price of 1/6d. per glass.

"His Honour Judge Daynes, K.C. was requested to formulate a proposal for applying a more efficient check upon the consumption of the Society's wine." [p. 157]

"The Treasurer reported that pursuant to the decision of the Council to establish if possible closer and more friendly relations between the Bench and the other members of the Inn not being Benchers a meeting was summoned and took place on 20th November when about 70 such members were present. The Treasurer and other members of the Committee appointed by the Council for the purpose attended the meeting.

"The Treasurer explained the objects of the meeting and invited those present to appoint a committee to represent the Inn, other than Benchers, for the proposed purposes. The members of the Bench then withdrew for a time and on their return the meeting reported that they had elected a committee of six with Mr. Sykes as Chairman with power to co-opt two junior members of the Inn as additional members. . . ." [pp. 157, 158]

"A suggestion was approved in principle that a small room in the present Under Treasurer's quarters should be set aside for the use of the Treasurer and it was left to the Building Committee to deal with the matter further." [p. 158]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1946. [p. 159]

Forty-two Benchers present.

"Referred back to the Building Committee its recommendation that a Licence be granted to the Inns of Court Regiment for the use of the large room adjoining the Old Hall as a museum and muniment room to consider the extent to which the room would be adversely affected for its other purpose and whether the smaller adjacent room would be appropriate." [pp. 159, 160]

"Reported the death of Mrs. A. Weatherley Marriott (a Pensioner) widow of the late A. Weatherley Marriott at one time Steward of this Honourable Society." [p. 160]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following:

Upon considering promotions in the Under Treasurer's Office consequent upon the appointment of Mr. Fairchild to be Under Treasurer it was recommended to the Council that as from 25th December 1946 Mr. F.C. Coales be promoted to Chief Clerk at a commencing salary of £550 with 5 annual increments of £20 per annum. Mr. L.W. Pilkington promoted to Second Clerk at a commencing salary of £425 with 5 annual increments of £20 per annum....

The resignation of Mr. W. Cluit, the Master Carpenter, was accepted with regret....

Recommended that the charge for Port be increased to 2/- per glass. [pp. 160, 161]

"It was agreed that the Treasurer should write to one of the Ladies in Waiting to the Princess Elizabeth conveying to her an invitation of the Council to accept election as a Benchler of the Inn." [p. 164]

At the conclusion of the other business the Under Treasurer was summoned to the Council and addressed by the Treasurer in the following terms

Mr. Marriott, I have invited you into the Council Room to express to you personally our appreciation of your long and devoted service. You entered our service at the age of nineteen; you are retiring at the age of seventy-five, a lifetime of faithful and efficient work for Lincoln's Inn.

Two things only will I specifically mention: the recent war and the Black Book. We owe it in great measure to your constancy and organisation as Under Treasurer during the war that the damage to the Inn by fire has not been much worse than it actually is. The Black Book has never had a more faithful slave. Your first years of service here were largely spent in proof revision and indexing of the published edition, and for over fifty years our proceedings have been recorded in the Book itself in your faultless script. This brief record of you will now appear therein.

You carry with you into your retirement our heartfelt wishes for many years of health and happiness in token whereof we mean to drink your health at the bench dinner at which you will be our guest this evening.

The Under Treasurer replied as follows.

Treasurer, My Lords and Gentlemen

It is naturally a wrench to me to be leaving the Inn after so long, but the blow of retirement has been softened by the kindnesses and good wishes I have received from the Bench, Barristers, Tenants and members of the Staff.

You have referred to my service during the War when I was Chief Air Raid Warden in charge of Lincoln's Inn. But I had the advantage of having under my command a whole body of voluntary workers from the Bench,

Bar, Tenants and servants of the inn whose efforts prevented the Inn suffering the disasters that occurred in the other Inns of Court. I also had the advantage of having my son living with me who accepted the distasteful office of Master of the Night Watch as his War Work so that there was always one of us awake and on duty. During the whole of the War I only slept out of the Inn on ten nights.

We had our share of incendiary bombs one of which landed on the roof of this Hall. One of the Porters climbed up on to the roof and having nothing with him with which to put it out, picked the bomb up with his hands and threw it to the ground. Our big disaster was in Stone Buildings where an incendiary bomb came through the roof of No. 1.¹ I was up there myself and with the help of others put the bomb out. A professional fireman told us that it was all right, and we rushed off to attend to other incidents. Unfortunately the bomb started up again, and when we went back to it the water supply had failed so that we had the mortification of seeing the fire run all along Stone Buildings to No. 1 and burning the whole of the third floors.

It is a great satisfaction to me to know that my Chief Clerk, Mr. Fairchild is to be my successor. I have every confidence that he will make a good Under Treasurer.

It now only remains for me to thank you all for the many courtesies and kindnesses which I have received from you, Sir, and from the ex-Treasurers I have had the honour to serve under.

After the dinner at which the retiring Under Treasurer was a guest, the Treasurer proposed the health "Marriott", which was drunk with acclamation, and in reply Mr. Marriott said: "Thank you very much. I am going to drink to the prosperity of Lincoln's Inn," and so he did. [*pp.* 164-166]

Treasurer: Alfred Malcolm Latter, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. March 15 Lord Clauson, C.B.E.
2. April 8 Rt. Hon. Sir George Claus Rankin
3. August 17 Lord Blanesburgh, G.B.E.
4. September 23 Charles Elliott Edward Jenkins, K.C.
5. December 21 Lord Russell of Killowen

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. David Bowen, K.C.
 2. Alfred James Long, K.C.
 3. Arthur Samuel Woodward, K.C.
 4. John Benjamin Lindon, K.C.
 5. Vladimir Robert Idelson, K.C.
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¹ This appears to be a slip of memory for No. 6. See *ante*, p. 412.

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Council held on January 13th, 1947. [p. 167]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Approved the report of the Joint Meeting of the Liaison Committee and the Bar Representation Committee held on 18th December 1946. [p. 168]

Read letters dated 20th and 23rd December 1946 from Lady Mary Strachey, Lady in Waiting to Her Royal Highness the Princess Elizabeth with reference to the invitation to the Bench of Her Royal Highness. The letter of 23rd December contained the following

"While Her Royal Highness greatly appreciates your invitation to her to become a Bencher of Lincoln's Inn I am desired to say that the Princess does not consider that the time has come for her to accept this post.

"I am to express Her Royal Highness's sincere thanks to you for the renewed invitation and her regrets that it is not possible to answer favourably at the moment." [pp. 168, 169]

Approved the report of the Joint Conference of Representatives of the Four Inns of Court to consider offers of help on reconstruction

The Chairman reported that he had received the following letter from Mr. Dwight Whitney.

"I have just returned from New York where I had several meetings with the committee of which Mr. John W. Davis is Chairman. They were agreeable to the suggestion that the American Bar be asked to contribute to the restoration of the Hall of Gray's Inn, the Hall of the Middle Temple and Temple Church. Of course no one dared say what could be obtained, but the estimates seemed to run from upwards of £50,000. It was recognised that in accordance with the American system of allowing contributions for education and similar purposes to be deducted from Income Tax, it would be necessary to obtain a ruling from the American equivalent of the Inland Revenue that the deductions would be allowed. A formal application to the United States Treasury has been prepared to that end and before it is actually submitted I am asked to cable back whether the British Committee approves the proposed programme. If you do approve, and if the United States Treasury in turn approve, the next step will be for our American friends to launch their solicitation of funds. For this purpose they would like very much to have from us a collection of photographs and other data. As I am returning to New York for another trip on January 3 it would be most desirable if we could collect all this material before my departure."

The conference unanimously approved of Mr. Dwight Whitney's suggestion and it was agreed that each Inn should supply the Chairman at once with photographs of its buildings before and after damage or destruction by air raids and with a short history of such buildings, so that Mr. Dwight Whitney could have material for launching an appeal for funds in the United States of America early next year. [pp. 171, 172]

Read the report of the sale of pictures at Sotheby's on the 18th December 1946.¹

	£
Giorgione Milo of Cortona	500
School of Fontainebleau. Portrait of a young woman	22
Crespi. Half length figure of a young girl	24
Italian School. The Madonna	3
Piazzetta. The Nativity of Christ	28
Raphael. Madonna della Sedia	9
Pickersgill. Half length portrait seated gentleman	1
Kneller. Portrait of Bishop Tillotson	10

It was further reported that the portrait of John Locke had been reserved for a book sale as a more appropriate method of disposal. [pp. 172, 173]

Council held on January 31st, 1947. [p. 176]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 172, 179]

Vladimir Robert Idelson, K.C.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon considering the changes in the Works Department consequent upon the retirement of Mr. W.R. Cluit, recommended that Mr. G.R. Cluit be appointed Assistant to the Foreman, Mr. Wicks, at a wage of £6.15.- per week. The Wage of Mr. Wicks to be increased to £8 per week. . . .

Approved the engagement of H. Ancill as a semi-clerical Porter at £5 per week. [pp. 177, 178]

Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee:

Recommend that the services in Chapel be continued as at present. . . .

Upon considering the question of the Warburton Lectures resolved that the Warburton Lectures be resumed, subject to the Treasurer looking into the Trust Deed with a view to reporting generally upon the terms of the Trust.

Upon considering a communication from J. Neville Gray, Esq., K.C. concerning the erection of a tablet in the Chapel by the Inns of Court Regiment as a memorial to Col. Errington Resolved that it be left to Mr. Gray to interview Major Lawson to find out whether the tablet could be incorporated in the scheme under consideration for the erection of two plaques as memorials to the Inns of Court Regiment for the 1914-18 and 1939-45 Wars.

The Treasurer also announced that the heating apparatus of the Chapel had burst as a consequence of the severe weather and it was resolved that in view of the stringent need for fuel economy the electric heaters should not be turned on until Sunday morning. [pp. 178, 179]

¹ See *ante*, p. 499.

Adjourned Council held on March 18th, 1947. [p. 181]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read the following report of a joint meeting of the four Treasurers with reference to the proposed expenditure of the General Council of the Bar

The Treasurers of the four Inns attended a conference at the Inner Temple on the 12th March 1947 to consider a communication from the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar asking for an increased subscription from each Inn to the funds of the Bar Council amounting to £600 a year from each Inn.

The Treasurer of the Middle Temple gave a short account of the history of the General Council of the Bar which started in 1883 as a Bar Committee with a voluntary subscription of half a guinea from Members of the Bar. It was afterwards called the Bar Association and in 1894 as a result of a joint meeting of the Four Inns became the General Council of the Bar with a subsidy of £600 a year from the Inns and no subscriptions from its own Members. The Treasurer of the Middle Temple thought that the general opinion of his own Inn was that in view of the financial position of the Middle Temple and the fact that any subsidy must be paid out of taxed income, while voluntary subscriptions paid by Members of the Bar could be treated as a professional expense and taken from untaxed income it would be desirable to refuse the application of the General Council of the Bar.

The Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn was of opinion that because of the amount of new legislation affecting the Bar it would be desirable to have more work done by the Bar Council for the general interests of the Bar and that his Inn would be prepared to increase the subscription to the Council on a more moderate scale than that suggested by its Chairman.

The Treasurer of Gray's Inn thought that the Bar Council was doing some useful work which could be made more useful in the interests of the profession by the appointment of a full time Secretary. He agreed generally with the views of the Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn and was of opinion that his own Inn would prefer to increase its subscription rather than allow the General Council of the Bar to develop into an independent body.

The Treasurer of the Inner Temple thought that the Bar Council should be supported by the Inns not only because of their obligations to help the profession but also because a more efficient Council could provide better advice in connection with proposed new legislation than it did at present.

The Treasurer of Gray's Inn then suggested an increase of £200 or £250 a year from each Inn to the expenses of the Council and that some sort of supervision should be exercised by the Inns of Court over the Council's affairs and finances.

After general discussion it was agreed to recommend to the various Benches that an increased subscription of £250 should be paid annually by each Inn to the General Council of the Bar which should consult a

joint committee of the Four Inns before making any new salaried appointment and should also keep its accounts in such manner as may be prescribed by the Inns.

The Four Treasurers also considered a further communication from the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar dealing with a Bill to give effect to the Report of the Rushcliffe Committee on Legal Aid and a suggested Rule by the Lord Chancellor's Department permitting Barristers to be struck off the panel by the Area Committee for "conduct calculated to bring the Legal Aid Scheme into disrepute" after prior consultation with the consent of the Attorney General or the Benchers of the Barrister's Inn. The Chairman stated that the Bar Council was strongly of opinion that disciplinary action of this nature should be a matter for the Benchers or possibly in matters falling short of professional misconduct for the Council and should not be in the hands of any outside body.

It was agreed to recommend to the Four Inns that power should be given to the General Council of the Bar to make enquiries into any such case before sending it to the Masters of the Bench of the Barrister's Inn.

It was Resolved that if all the other Inns agree, a further contribution of £250 by each Inn be made to the General Council of the Bar upon such terms as the four Treasurers may agree.

The memorandum in regard to the report of the Rushcliffe committee was approved. [*pp.* 182–184]

Adopted the report of the Buildings Committee which included the following:

Read the report of the Under Treasurer on an outbreak of fire on 31st January 1947 at 24 Old Buildings.

The Under Treasurer reported the death of Mr. Cuthbert Lake, Acting Surveyor to the Society. The Treasurer was authorised to write a letter of condolence to Mrs. Lake. The question of the appointment of a successor was referred to the Treasurer and Lord Justice Cohen for discussion with Sir Giles Scott. In the meantime the firm of Cuthbert Lake & Sutton to be employed.

Charles E. Harman, Esq., K.C. was authorised to have a report made on the two chairs known as the "Matthew Hale Chairs" at a reasonable fee. [*pp.* 185, 186]

Adopted the report of the Scholarship Committee which included the following item

It was reported that Professor Goodhart and Professor Hollond had expressed their willingness to examine the essays for the Bennett Prize and the Treasurer was requested to communicate with them on the matter. [*p.* 187]

Read the Treasurer's report of the sale of the portrait of John Locke (£13)... [p. 187]

Adopted the following report of the Permanent Committee charged with the Welfare of Bar Students

1. Your Committee have met since their appointment on five occasions for the purpose of selecting and appointing a full time Bar Students' Advisory Officer.
2. More than two hundred applications for the post were received and after the examination of testimonials twelve candidates were selected for interview and nine of them were interviewed.
3. Your Committee now report
 - (a) That as the result of the interview and further enquiries and information it was resolved that Mr. John Lee be appointed Bar Students Advisory Officer.
 - (b) That it is understood that there may be available on the first floor of No. 7 Stone Buildings Lincoln's Inn suitable accommodation....

It was further Resolved that the rooms on the first floor west No. 7 Stone Buildings be let to the Permanent Committee at a proper rent. [pp. 188, 189]

Council held on April 15th, 1947. [p. 190]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Building Committee subject to the following amendment: That the sale of the contents of the rooms formerly in the occupation of Mr. J.C. Elvey, an electrical engineer, be postponed

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the acceptance of Messrs. Cuthbert Lake & Sutton of the appointment as Surveyors to this Honourable Society.

Upon receiving the report of the Under Treasurer with reference to the contents of two small rooms formerly in the occupation of Mr. J.C. Elvey at 15 New Square. Recommend that the contents belonging to Mr. Elvey be sold to offset Mr. Elvey's liability in respect of arrears of rent amounting to £15...

Adopted the following report of the kitchen Committee

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Upon considering a communication from the Chief Porter enquiring on behalf of the Porters whether a midday meal may be served to the Porters, the Committee recommended that the application be granted.

The Treasurer further reported that the Committee had a discussion with Mrs. Scott, the Kitchen Superintendent with a view to the improvement of luncheons generally and for the improvement of the appearance of the waiters on Sundays. [pp. 192, 193]

Council held on May 12th, 1947. [p. 195]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

The report dated 16th April 1947 of the Four Treasurers on (1) the question of relations with the General Council of the Bar and as to an increased financial contribution to the Council, and (2) a suggestion from the Middle Temple that Consolidated Regulation I should be amended was Adopted. Extracts follow.

4. After discussion the four Treasurers agreed to recommend to their respective Inns

(a) That a further grant at the rate of £250 a year from each Inn should be made to the General Council of the Bar.

(b) That a link between the Inns of Court and the General Council of the Bar should be established so far as the Inns are concerned by the maintenance of a Standing Joint committee consisting of two Benchers from each of the four Inns not being members of the General Council of the Bar.

(c) That the matter should be discussed with the General Council of the Bar with a view to the establishment by them of a similar committee.

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10. It was agreed by all the Treasurers that the amendment [of Consolidated Regulation I] could not be effected without unanimity and therefore should not be proceeded with.

The suggestions for a liaison committee of the four Inns (two representatives from each Bench) to constitute a medium for communications with the Bar Council with a like committee of the Bar Council and to report from time to time to the Benchers of their respective Inns but without power to bind them were Approved and [two named Benchers] were appointed to represent this Bench. [pp. 195-198]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

Recommended the re-appointment of the Rev. Prebendary Cheshire for a further three years at the present salary.

Upon considering the question of the Warburton Lecture recommended that efforts be made to recommence these lectures next Michaelmas Term and Easter Term at a remuneration of 10 guineas per lecture. The remuneration to be provided out of current income of the Warburton Fund and as to the balance out of the accumulated income. Each appointment to be for two years. The Lecturer not to be under any obligation to publish the Lectures. [p. 200]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee as to items 1 and 2;

1. Refused an application by Messrs. Chamberlain & Co. to be allowed to build a door at the entrance of No. 1 Stone Buildings

2. Granted an application of the Under Treasurer for the conversion of a shed at the north end of the garden for use as a garage. . . . [pp. 200, 201]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following:

Recommend the purchase of Chambers on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors north at No. 1 New Square for the sum of £5600 with authority to increase to £6000 if necessary.

Recommend that a fee of five guineas be charged for the use of the Old Hall unless the Treasurer for the time being considers that no charge should be made. This order not to apply to cases where permission has already been granted.

Authorised that a survey of No. 11 New Square be carried out by Messrs. Cuthbert Lake & Sutton at a fee of 150 guineas. [p. 201]

Consideration of the question of the service of Benchers luncheons was postponed until after next winter.

"Granted an application for the use of the New Hall from the Royal College of Surgeons on Monday 15th September 1947 subject to the payment of a fee of ten guineas to cover the Inn's expenses." [p. 202]

"An application from the Lincoln's Inn Sports Club to be allowed to have a cricket practice net at the north end of the garden was referred to the Garden Committee, the Council on the information at present before it being unable to agree to the application." [p. 202]

"Resolved that a dinner be held next term for the Masters of the Bench and their wives (tickets of wives to be paid for) unless the Kitchen Committee finds that such a dinner would prevent the holding in the same term of an otherwise practicable Grand Night which could be attended by Members of the Inn generally and the question of both dinners was referred to the Kitchen Committee." [p. 202]

The Treasurer reported that H.M. Queen Mary and H.R.H. the Princess Royal attended Divine Service in Lincoln's Inn Chapel on Sunday 11th May 1947. Her Majesty and Her Royal Highness were received by the Treasurer, the Dean of the Chapel, His Honour Hugh Sturges K.C. and the Preacher. [pp. 202, 203]

Council held on June 3rd, 1947. [p. 204]

Nineteen Benchers present.

Read telegrams exchanged between the Treasurer and H.M. Queen Mary on the occasion of Her Majesty's 80th birthday on May 26th. [p. 204]

"The Treasurer reported that the Joint Committee appointed to consider the arrangements for the Reception to be given to Members of the Anglo French Conference on Thursday 5th June 1947 had accepted an estimate of Messrs. Searcy Tansley & Co. for catering at 3/6d. per head and 1/- per head for ices; that it had been arranged that the guests should be received by the Treasurers of the Four Inns; that there should be an exhibition of books in the Library and that chairs should be placed in the garden.

"A direction was to be given for closing the Inn so as to exclude unauthorised persons." [*pp.* 205, 206]

"The report of the Kitchen Committee having been read it was Resolved that there be a Grand Night Dinner on the 22nd July next for Benchers and Barristers, Benchers to pay 10/- each and Barristers 5/- for the dinner. It was referred to the Kitchen Committee in conjunction with the Wine Committee to arrange all details including the number and selection of the Members of the Bar to be admitted." [*p.* 206]

Council held on June 23rd, 1947. [*p.* 210]

Eighteen Benchers present.

Upon considering the appointment of a Warburton Lecturer it was Resolved that the Very Rev. the Dean of Chichester be appointed Warburton Lecturer for the series of lectures beginning in Michaelmas Term next. [*p.* 210]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee

Upon considering a reference from the Council (a) as to the raising of rents within the Inn; (b) as to the fees charged on Admissions and Call;

(a) Referred to Cuthbert Lake & Co. to ascertain what fee they would charge for making a report on the proper rents now payable in respect of each set of Chambers under our control. The Under Treasurer to report back to the Finance Committee.

(b) Recommended no action at present.

Recommended the purchase of Chambers at No. 1 New Square for the sum of £6200.

Upon considering the resignation of G. Pichelmayer, the head gardener; recommended that he be asked to remain on for the present; a suitable advertisement to be issued in a suitable newspaper for a head gardener, stating no salary but that terms are to be arranged. [*pp.* 210, 211]

Granted an application from the Inns of Court Regiment to be allowed the use of the Gardens for the purpose of instruction and it was Resolved that the Inns of Court Regiment be given the same privileges as formerly. [*p.* 212]

Adjourned Council held on July 23rd, 1947. [*p.* 213]

Eighteen Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the meeting of the Four Treasurers and the Chairman and representatives of the General Council of the Bar, dated 30th June 1947. Extracts follow.

1. The Treasurer of Gray's Inn opened the proceedings by saying that the Benches of the Four Inns had agreed that a link between the four Inns of Court and the General Council of the Bar should be established so far as the Inns are concerned by the maintenance by them of a Standing Joint

Committee consisting of two Benchers from each of the four Inns and that the matter should be discussed with the General Council of the Bar with a view to the establishment by them of a similar Committee.

2. The Chairman of the Council welcomed the suggestion although he thought that a committee of eight from the point of view of the Council would be too great.

3. It was agreed that the Council should be free to decide the size of its own committee.

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6. The meeting was of the unanimous opinion that the formation of two such committees would be invaluable in cases where matters of importance to the Bar as a whole were involved. The following examples were given merely by way of illustration

(a) The question of the abolition of the circuit system. It was thought that before any decision could be made on such a matter a referendum of the Bar must be taken in regard to which collaboration between the Inns of Court and the Council would be essential.

(b) Should the Junior receive two thirds of the fee of a Silk

(c) Law reform

(d) Relations with foreign Bar Associations.

On the whole it was considered that any decision having the backing of the four Inns and the Council would carry very great weight.

7. It was made clear by the Treasurers that their representatives on the Joint Committee would not be in a position to bind their Benches in any way and that all matters decided at meetings would require confirmation by the four Benches.

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11. The question of the reduction or abolition of the stamp duty on Admission and Call was mentioned and it was agreed that this was essentially a matter which might have been discussed at a meeting of the Standing Committee of the Four Inns and the corresponding Committee of the Council which it is proposed to set up. [pp. 214-216]

Approved the following report of the Bar Students Advisory Committee dated 24th June 1947 and approved the appended draft letter to be sent to (1) the Secretary of State for India (2) the High Commissioner for India, and (3) the Secretary of State for the Colonies.

THE REPORT

1. Your Committee have met on a number of occasions since their appointment and feel that the time has now come when a report on their activities should be made to the four Inns.

2. As the result of advertisements inserted in the *Times*, the *Daily Telegraph* and the legal journals over 200 applications were made for the post of whole-time Welfare Officer for Bar Students. A number of

these applicants were interviewed and in the result the Committee had no hesitation in offering the appointment to Mr. John Lee, a Barrister of Gray's Inn who had had considerable experience in supervising the welfare of overseas students in London. Mr. Lee took up his appointment on the first of May and the Committee have now received a report from him of his activities and of his future plans. They have interviewed Mr. Lee and discussed his report with him and are satisfied that he has already justified his appointment. He is obviously a good organiser with a full appreciation of the scope and importance of his duties, keenly interested in his work; he has already proved that there is useful work to be done in advising and helping overseas students in the sphere of their social activities (as distinct from their educational activities) and that he is the right man to do this work. Of the students interviewed by him about 80% of the enquiries related to the question of living accommodation in London. Mr. Lee is compiling a register of students lodgings and in conjunction with his Secretary, Miss Sellars, is undertaking the task of seeking for additional accommodation, interviewing landladies and generally assisting the Students particularly the non-European students to obtain suitable lodgings. Amongst his other activities Mr. Lee has also been active in promoting in co-operation with the Director of Legal Education the formation of a Bar Students Union similar to that existing at most of the Universities, with its Headquarters at 7 Stone Buildings, the new premises of the Council of Legal Education.

3. *Accommodation.* A small set of Chambers has been made available for Mr. Lee in No. 7 Stone Buildings where he is in close touch with the Director of Legal Education. The initial expenditure involved in very modestly but temporarily sufficiently furnishing and equipping these offices and in advertising the appointment has amounted to £245.19.6. Mr. Terry and Mr. Lee together have done well in keeping down the cost of their purchases to a surprisingly small amount.

4. *Draft Letter.* It will be recalled that the Committee was charged with the duty of preparing for submission to the four Inns the draft of a letter to be sent to the Colonial Office, the India Office and the High Commissioner for India whose representatives were members of the original Committee as a result of whose activities the present Committee was formed. This draft has now been prepared and is submitted with this report. It is hoped that approval may be given to it without delay so that it may be despatched before the Long Vacation.

5. It will be recalled that in the report of the original Committee dated 14th February 1946 it was suggested that it might be possible to secure that a number of senior members of the legal profession should undertake to take an interest in a small number of students from overseas so that each student should have someone to whom he could turn for unofficial advice. The Committee venture to suggest that the time has now come when each Inn should attempt to carry this recommendation into effect.

The Draft Letter

[The draft for the most part contains a full description of the work of the Committee, and includes this request]

"May I express the hope that the representatives of your department who were good enough to interest themselves in this matter will be willing to assist this Committee and its Advisory Officer as occasion offers with information as to the needs of the students coming from the territories in which you are interested and generally as to the problems which may arise in these territories out of the experience of students whilst in this Country?" [p. 221]

Referred the last paragraph of the report to the Liaison Committee to take up with the Bar Representation Committee. [pp. 217-222]

"Read and approved a letter received from the Secretary of the Inns of Court Students Union, to whom it was ordered a suitable acknowledgment be sent." [p. 222]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon considering a reference from the Joint Meeting of the Kitchen and Wine Committees recommend that the Students Term fee be increased from £1.2.6 to £1.10.-. Of the Increase of 7/6, 5/- to be allocated to the Wine Account and 2/6 to the Beer Account.

Upon considering a reference from the Buildings Committee recommended that application be made for a licence for the plan involving an interior staircase at 11a New Square estimated at £595 less estimated recovery from the War Damage Commissioners of £225.

Ordered that an estimate from Lowndes and Drury for the repair of stained glass windows in the Chapel at a cost of £100 be accepted and the work be put in hand at once.

Deferred consideration of the following recommendations of a Joint Kitchen and Wine committee

- (a) Dinners in Hall on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays next Dining Term
- (b) That there should be a Benchers Rota
- (c) That dinners be available to Barristers. [pp. 223, 224]

Adjourned Council held on October 13th, 1947. [p. 226]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Approved a proposal to make a gift to H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth on the occasion of her Marriage. It was provisionally approved that the gift should take the form of a canteen of table silver subject to further communication with Major Harvey. The Treasurer and Lord Justice Evershed were appointed as a Committee to decide finally upon the gift and to make all necessary arrangements with power to make up a canteen out of the Inn's own stores of silver." [p. 226]

Read the following report of the Joint Conference to consider offers of help in reconstruction dated 29th July 1947.

The Chairman reported the recent meeting with the United States Ambassador with regard to the proposed offer from the American Bar Association for help in reconstruction and the following letter from Mr. John W. Davis on the same subject.

After the usual departmental delays we secured a ruling in April that contributions to our fund would be tax exempt.... We then proceeded to prepare a pamphlet for solicitation, directing our efforts to the Middle Temple Hall, the Temple Church and Gray's Inn Hall. This pamphlet is for reasons hereinafter to be stated not yet beyond the point of printer's proof and is still open to amendment. It is illustrated by some of our photographs. We then called on the American Bar Association for their mailing list, intending to circularise all the members of the Association. At this point the Board of Governors got cold feet. They are about to raise their dues and they are afraid that a solicitation of this sort would have some effect on those of their members who would resent the raise in dues. I think this idea was fantastic but when they asked us to withhold our hands we could do but little else. Meantime they approve our solicitation of special gifts and we are considering going forward on that line.

I appreciate the difficulty which will be encountered on any rebuilding in London, but I think it would be a mistake to postpone our solicitation for this reason and equally a mistake to warn our contributors that the money they put up would not be subject to use for an indefinite time. Nobody is going to subscribe on that basis. It would help if we could find out just what the British estimate as the final cost of the repair of these particular buildings and if possible some forecast of the time when building could be entered upon....

The Chairman informed the Conference that the information asked for by Mr. John W. Davis had already been sent to him through Mr. Dwight Whitney.

The Treasurer of the Inner Temple was requested to write to Mr. Dwight Whitney explaining that, according to information received from a high official of the Ministry of Works, the prospect of rebuilding in the Inns of Court was very much nearer than formerly anticipated, and attempting to enlist American sympathy towards help in rebuilding Crown Office Row which was the birthplace of Charles Lamb.

The Chairman also reported that a sound film was now being made showing the damage done to the Inns of Court during the war, with commentaries by Benchers of each Inn, and that the Lord Chancellor proposed to take this film to America during the Long Vacation to forward the appeal for help now being made in the United States. [*pp.* 227-229]

Read and referred to the Buildings Committee a communication to the Treasurer from the Treasurer of the Inner Temple from which the following extracts are taken.

I think it only right to let you know that we have had in the last few days certain conversations . . . with the people at the Ministry of Works who are responsible for allocating priorities. I understand that the particular priorities under consideration are those which arise in respect of building in the City or at its immediate periphery; and it may well be therefore that the matter is of no interest to you or to Gray's Inn. But for greater caution I ought to let you know how things stand.

The man with whom we have been in communication is a Major Brocken-shire of the Ministry of Works. . . . He appears to be very well intentioned towards the Inns generally, though he has at present only the vaguest idea of the function which they perform. He held out hopes to us that we might be in a position to begin rebuilding towards the end of the year 1948 or the beginning of 1949. [pp. 229, 230]

Reported the death of Rt. Hon. Viscount Bennett K.C. (Canada) an Honorary Bencher of this Society. [p. 231]

Reported the gift to the Society of a silver rose bowl made under the Will of the Rev. Dr. J.K. Mozley, late Preacher to this Honourable Society, and Ordered that a suitable letter of thanks be sent. [p. 231]

Upon reading a communication from Messrs. Butterworth & Co. Ltd., asking for permission to have a copy made of the portrait of the Rt. Hon. Lord Russell of Killowen and a statement having been made to the Council that the Inn's portrait was a copy of the original portrait in the possession of the late Lord Russell's family it was on this footing Ordered that Messrs. Butterworth be referred to the family of the late Lord Russell of Killowen with a sentiment to the foregoing effect and informed that the Inn has no right to authorise the making of further copies.¹ [p. 231]

Refused the petition of Emil Kingsley, formerly Emil Kamerman to be supplied with a Certificate of Call in his new name, his original having already been granted in accordance with the facts, and it was suggested that the applicant should endorse the certificate with a note of his change of name. [p. 232]

Council held on November 3rd, 1947. [p. 235]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 231, 136]

Hon. Hubert Lister Parker.

Officers for 1948: [p. 236]

Treasurer: His Honour (Sir) Tom Eastham, K.C.

Master of the Library: John Herbert Stamp

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Simonds

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Vaisey

Master of the Walks: Sir Henry Tindal Methold

¹ It seems to have been overlooked that the original was by this time in the possession of the Inn: see *ante*, p. 368.

"Referred a communication from J.H. Bowman Esq. on proposed regulations and customs for dining at the Bar Tables to the Buildings and General Purposes Committee to consider what action should be taken and Ordered that a vote of thanks be conveyed to Mr. Bowman for the trouble he has taken."¹ [p. 236]

Refused an application from the Haldane Society for the use of the Old Hall for a public meeting on the ground that it is not the practice of the Society to let the Hall for a public meeting. [p. 238]

"Resolved that the six salt cellars Geo. III 1795 made by R. Sibley be presented by the Society to H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth on the occasion of her marriage."² [p. 239]

Council held on November 25th, 1947. [p. 242]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read the summary of the Minutes of the Council of 3rd November 1947. The item concerning the gift to H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth on the occasion of her marriage was amended to include a reference to the two George II silver antique pepper vases bearing the arms of the Society and the initials J.C.³ and dated 1775 which were given to Her Royal Highness out of the Society's own store of silver in addition to the six silver salt cellars already referred to." [p. 242]

Read a letter of thanks signed by H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth which was ordered to be entered in the Golden Book. [pp. 242, 243]

Read the following report of the Bar Students Advisory Committee dated 12th November 1947.

1. Since we last reported to the four Benches in July last we have received a further report from Mr. Lee, the Students Advisory Officer, covering his activities up to the end of September. It is clear that he is fulfilling a useful function with zeal and discretion and has already laid a solid foundation for development in the immediate and more distant future. We were particularly pleased to see that he has made good progress with the problem of finding suitable accommodation for overseas students and was able to report that it is usually possible to offer specific accommodation at a reasonable price to nearly every European student who comes to see him and to the majority of Orientals and Africans. In addition he has been active in promoting the new Students Union at present centred in the premises of the Council of Legal Education at 7 Stone Buildings, Lincoln's Inn.

2. Your Committee have confirmed the appointment of Mr. Lee which by the terms of his contract will run for 5 years from 1st May 1947.

3. [Superannuation provision for Mr. Lee.]

¹ Joseph Hood Bowman. Born 1882. Called to the Bar 1910. Secretary of the Incorporated Council of Law Reporting 1942-51. The rules were approved: see *post*, p. 539.

² The marriage took place on November 20th, 1947.

³ John Coxe, junior. Treasurer 1775. See 3BB.425.

4. The communications to the Representatives of the High Commissioner for India and of the Colonial Office the drafts of which were approved by the four Inns of Court, were dispatched on 29th July 1947. The replies received show satisfaction at the steps taken by the Inns and contain certain offers of assistance in achieving the object for which the Committee was formed.

5. Students Hostel. [After describing the investigation of premises which proved unsatisfactory, the report continues as follows.] Your Committee, however, feel increasingly that this question of a hostel is one which calls for attention. There is evidence that considerable dissatisfaction exists among some students on this subject and unfavourable comparisons are made with the facilities provided by London University and other bodies charged with the welfare of students in London. A possible solution may be the acquisition of residential premises in one of the near suburbs. Your Committee will appreciate it if any Master of the Bench of any of the four Inns of Court hearing of premises suitable for or for conversion for such purpose will communicate any information to them. [*pp.* 243-246]

A motion by His Honour Judge Sir Gerald Hurst, K.C. that a committee be appointed to consider the feasibility of adapting the existing War Memorial to serve also as a Memorial to Members of the Society killed in the second World War was approved, and Sir Gerald Hurst, Lord Simonds and that year's and next year's Treasurers were appointed as a Special Committee to consider the question of a Memorial in the Inn commemorating its Members who lost their lives in the late War. [*pp.* 247, 248]

Adjourned Council held on December 17th, 1947. [*p.* 249]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

"Upon considering a communication from Richard O'Sullivan, Esq. K.C. asking for permission to reproduce the miniature of Sir Thomas More for the purposes of a frontispiece to a volume of Thomas More Papers which is being dedicated to the memory of the late Lord Russell of Killowen: Ordered that permission be given subject to its being stated that it is reproduced by permission of the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn to whom all rights of reproduction are reserved." [*pp.* 251, 252]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee except as to item No. 6 which was refused, and the estimate of Messrs. Gillett & Johnson was accepted so as to include the recasting of the bell.

Considered the following references from the Buildings Committee

1(a). A report from the Surveyor concerning the Minutes of the Central London Rebuilding Sub Committee held on the 21st November 1947 which concerned the rebuilding of Stone Buildings and No. 11 New Square. The Surveyor was requested to submit to the Finance Committee a statement of the costs and fees of preparing detailed plans of getting out Quantity Surveyors estimates and preparing documents for the application for licences. Recommended to Council that the Surveyor be instructed to proceed to procure and prepare the above mentioned plans and figures

and documents. (It is estimated that to proceed to the stage of applying for a licence, the cost will not be less than £8,500)

(b) Upon considering a suggestion from Mr. Arthur Cole that the Society's solicitor be employed for drafting all future tenancy agreements and leases, Resolved that no action on the suggestion be taken at present.

2. [pensions]

3, 4. [increases of staff salaries and wages]

5. Upon considering a reference from the Students Committee in view of the abrogation of the Stamp Duty on Call to the Bar authorise the Treasurer to re-pay in all cases where a refund is requested

6. Referred to the Council a communication¹ from the Commanding Officer of the Inns of Court Regiment.

7. Upon considering a communication from Mr. F.C. Coales, the Chief Clerk as to a Staff Function, recommended that the use of the Benchers Rooms be granted on the occasion and that a contribution of £30 be made towards the expenses. [pp. 252-254]

Treasurer: Wilfrid Mortimer Hunt

The following Benchers died during the year

1. August 19 Arthur Lee Ellis
2. December 11 His Honour Herbert David Samuels, K.C.

Biographical note

2. Samuels. b.1880. Official Referee since 1945

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Hubert Lister Parker
2. Gerald R. Upjohn, K.C.

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Council held on January 12th, 1948. [p. 256]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 252, 258]

Gerald Ritchie Upjohn, K.C.

Adjourned Council held on January 30th, 1948. [p. 262]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Read the following report of the Students Committee

¹ The communication has not survived, but appears to have been a request for some form of subsidy or financial assistance.

1. Recommend that a Resolution be passed approving the Admission of Sein Maung, a Burmese subject, in accordance with Clause 2(a) of the Consolidated Regulations

which Resolution was accordingly passed.

2. Considered a communication from the Director of Colonial Scholars dated 7th January 1948, concerning the educational qualifications of certain colonial scholars in the form approved by this Committee.

Resolved that the matter be referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar with a view to the position being clarified and inviting them to make a recommendation to secure if possible uniformity of standard, and that the reply to the Director of Colonial Scholars in the form approved by the Students Committee be not sent. Meanwhile Lincoln's Inn will adhere to its existing practice, that is to say, to excuse from Latin those oriental students who appear to have attained a suitably good standard of general culture, and it was Ordered that the Director of Colonial Students and the Joint Committee on the Duties etc be so informed. [pp. 262, 263]

"Ordered that the charge for the Grand Day Dinner be 10/- for each Benchers and Barrister and that the Bar Representation committee should be informed of this and it was also Ordered that the charge to Benchers for Council Dinner be 5/-." [p. 265]

"Ordered that the unexpended balance amounting to £50 of the gift made by Mrs. Greenland in memory of H.F.F. Greenland, Esq., late a Benchers of this Honourable Society be returned to Mrs. Greenland, and payment was authorised accordingly."¹ [p. 265]

Read the following report of the Garden Committee

Upon considering the question as to the Ailanthus trees in New Square Recommend that the two trees on the north side of the Square be removed as they are dangerous, and that the remaining two trees on the south side of the Square be left standing, unless the Council otherwise determines.

Ordered that the condition of the trees in New Square be reported on by a Kew Gardens expert and the matter to be brought before the Council for further consideration. [p. 265]

Upon the motion of Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.B.E., K.C. that the tree in the quadrangle south of the Chapel be removed Ordered that no recommendation be made, but that the advice of the Kew Gardens expert be obtained as to the lopping of some of its branches. [p. 266]

Read the following report of the Pictures Committee

Upon consideration of the purchase of a portrait of Sir William Grant by Sir Thomas Lawrence shortly to be offered for sale at Christies, recommend that the matter be referred to the Council.

Ordered that no recommendation be made. [p. 266]

¹ See *ante*, p. 478 for the gift.

Adjourned Council held on March 8th, 1948. [p. 268]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Read the following report of Mr. W.M. Campbell, the Curator of Kew Gardens on the trees in New Square.

REPORT ON THE TREES OF HEAVEN

The lily pond which forms the central feature of the long garden is set off by four trees of *Ailanthus glandulosa*, the "Tree of Heaven." These trees have all made very good progress and over a period of time have so developed that today they carry a tremendous weight of wood and branches overhead. Details of each tree are briefly given and the numbers are those referred to in the rough diagram which accompanies this report.

Tree No. 1. This is one of the largest of the four trees and it has unfortunately been allowed to develop a little unbalanced, and this has resulted in more growth being made towards the south west than towards the north east. This type of tree is always shallow rooted and there is no doubt that in some gale, possibly in Autumn of 1947 sufficient stress was placed on the root system as to cause one or two of the main holding roots to fracture. Since then the tree has gradually commenced to lean over and though there is no immediate danger now, as soon as leaves are formed in spring there will be a tendency at any time for the tree to fall over quickly or to gradually become horizontal. In view of this the tree should definitely be removed as, though as a temporary expedient the top could be drastically pruned in order to lighten it, after a number of years the movement would recur and very likely without any further warning.

Tree No. 2. This tree is in some respects similar to its fellow, No. 1. It has quite a good top but already begins to show signs of root movement at the base. Given any high wind or gale this tree is just as likely to move over as is tree No. 1. The garden itself would appear rather unbalanced if the one tree was removed and so, in view of its condition it is recommended that the second tree also should be taken out.

Tree No. 3. This is quite a good tree with a fairly decent branch system. It appears quite strong at the base and so far there is no evidence of any movement or fracture of the roots. With the removal of trees 1 and 2 this tree will have a better chance of subsequent development. It may last well for five, ten, twenty or even fifty years and so it would seem a great pity to take the tree down now.

Tree No. 4. A tree quite safe in itself, again with a clean strong stem and no sign of disturbance at the root. The same remarks apply to this tree as apply to No. 3 and no very good case can be submitted for its removal.

[The report continues with a number of suggestions for alterations of the lawn, flower beds and pond, and continues]

Tree No. 5. This large "Tree of Heaven" is growing towards the south entrance corner of the garden and tends to overhang the footpath and

carriage way. It is still a very good tree with an upward branch system and it cannot therefore be regarded as dangerous, nor could one justifiably top it. This tree should therefore be left untouched.

Large Plane Tree. This tree is growing on the lawn east of the Old Hall. It is a very fine tree with a very symmetrical and strong branch system. One could very well remove the fine growth it has already made and this would also have the advantage of heightening the leaf screen in summer and thereby enable one to get a better view of the architectural features of the Old Hall.

The benefits from the removal of the various large plane trees must now be obvious to all. Not only have the individual trees which are left a better chance of development, but at the same time added light is afforded the buildings and in addition one is better able to appreciate the architectural beauties that were formerly hidden. The small avenue to the north of the Treasurer's office though improved is still lacking in some respects and it may be that in a year or two's time, one or possibly two trees that now stand will be better removed.

It was thereupon Ordered that the Trees Nos. 1 and 2 be felled and that the rest of the report as to the New Square Garden be referred to the Garden Committee for consideration and report. [*pp.* 271-275]

"Upon reading the report of the War Memorial Committee It was Ordered that Members and children of Members be commemorated and that all details be referred to the War Memorial Committee for consideration and report." [*p.* 275]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

1. That a Communion Service (partly choral) should be held next Term, the form of the service to be arranged by the Preacher, the Dean of the Chapel and Mr. Justice Vaisey.
2. That candles should be lighted on the altar.
3. That the charge for the Sunday Luncheons be raised from 7/6 to 10/- from the beginning of the term. [*p.* 275]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

1. Upon considering the new rental valuation prepared by the surveyor recommend "that the valuation be accepted as the basis for future rents and that the rents paid by members of the Inn should be increased to an amount fixed by the Treasurer".
2. That the Library budget for 1948 amounting to £2770 be approved.

Read the following communication from the London County Council

LINCOLN'S INN FIELDS: LUNCHTIME BAND CONCERTS

You will be aware that by the London County Council (Improvements) Act 1894 under which the garden of Lincoln's Inn Fields is maintained by the Council for the benefit of the public, the Council is prohibited

from providing music in the garden before 6 p.m. on any day (other than Saturday and Sunday when the times are 3 p.m. and 1 p.m. respectively). This provision is expressed to be for the protection of the Society of Lincoln's Inn and of the owners, lessees and occupiers of the houses surrounding the garden, and the Council is advised that the prohibition may be waived by the Society and the said owners, lessees and occupiers.

Lunchtime concerts were held in the garden during the war as part of the Council's emergency arrangements. These proved to be very popular and no objection was raised to them by any occupier of premises in the neighbourhood. When the emergency arrangements came to an end the Council was advised that in view of the prohibition above mentioned, it was no longer possible to arrange lunchtime concerts on weekdays without the consents of the persons mentioned in the statute, and the concerts were therefore discontinued.

The Council is being pressed by a number of bodies (representing persons employed in the neighbourhood who make use of the garden for lunchtime recreation during the summer months) to resume the concerts. The Council is willing to accede to this request if the necessary consents can be obtained, subject to any reasonable limitations which may be found desirable in order to minimise the possibility of disturbance to the surrounding occupiers.

I have accordingly been instructed to enquire of the Society of Lincoln's Inn and of the owners, lessees and occupiers concerned whether they consent to the provision by the Council of lunchtime band concerts at Lincoln's Inn Fields upon the understanding that the concerts are given in the bandstand (which is in the centre of the garden) and that no amplifiers are used. While the Council does not wish to be restricted as to the days on which such concerts might be provided, it would not propose, in the first instance, that they should be given on more than one or two days a week. A band concert normally lasts for not more than two hours.

I need hardly say that if arrangements for the giving of the proposed concerts are made the Council will give sympathetic consideration to any representations which may be made to it at any time by the Society of Lincoln's Inn or any other persons with the view of securing a modification of the arrangements in the interests of the surrounding occupiers. Having regard to the special position of the Society of Lincoln's Inn in the matter I await their decision before approaching the other parties whose consents are required.¹ [*pp.* 277, 278]

Upon reading a communication from Mr. Justice Harman tendering his resignation from the Discipline Committee on his appointment as a Judge of the High Court It was Ordered and Declared that there is no objection to a Judge of the High Court being a member of the Discipline Committee and

¹ The Society consented to the holding of the concerts.

Mr. Justice Harman was requested to withdraw his resignation which he did accordingly. [p. 279]

"Granted an application on behalf of the Christian Socialist Movement for the use of the Chapel on Monday 12th April 1948 for a Memorial Service to F.D. Maurice a former Chaplain to this Honourable Society." [p. 279]

"Ordered that Wilfrid Mortimer Hunt Esq. the immediate ex-Treasurer be appointed Acting Treasurer during the Treasurer's absence abroad on Government duties."¹ [p. 279]

Council held on April 19th, 1948. [p. 280]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Garden Committee

Recommend as to the New Square Garden (a) that the two circular beds be grassed over after the flowering has finished (b) that the lily pond be left as it is, but the bed around it be arranged in four small beds leaving four grass approaches (c) that the remainder of the garden be left as it is at present.

That the question of placing chains around the gardens be postponed.

That the following notice to be placed in the gardens be approved.

THESE GARDENS ARE PRIVATE

By the courtesy of the Masters of the Bench they are opened to the public from Monday to Friday of each week between the hours of 12 noon to 2.30 p.m. for the enjoyment of rest and quiet. [p. 283]

Council held on May 25th, 1948. [p. 287]

Thirty Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported that the Buildings Committee had met earlier in the day and had decided not to adopt any system of central heating in Stone Buildings. A sub committee had been appointed to consider generally the proposals as regards Stone Buildings particularly on the financial aspects of the scheme and to report to the Buildings Committee." [p. 289]

Adopted the report as follows of the Pictures Committee, subject to the provisos numbered 1, 2 and 3 hereunder mentioned.

Upon considering the question of Arms to be placed in Hall Recommended that in future it be a rule that any Benchers becoming Treasurer or having been Treasurer or a Privy Councillor or a High Court Judge should be invited to have his Arms put in the Hall. In present financial stringency those who are invited to have their Arms put up should be requested to bear the cost.

Upon considering a reference from Council Recommend that permission be granted to Mr. R.B. Beckett to reproduce Hogarth's picture "Paul

¹ The Treasurer, His Honour Sir Tom Eastham, Senior Official Referee 1944-1954, was Chairman of the Admiralty's Manpower Economy Committee, 1947-1948. He was knighted in 1948.

before Felix" subject to Mr. Justice Harman being satisfied with the method of reproduction and that it be stated that it is reproduced by courtesy of the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn.

Upon considering a reference from the Council as to the cleaning of the Picture "Paul before Felix" Recommend that Mr. Justice Harman and Mr. Blanco White be authorised to see Mr. Walker and arrange for the picture to be cleaned provided the expense does not exceed £20.

Upon considering a reference from the Library Committee concerning an exhibition arranged by the Holborn Borough Council Recommend that the Society send the painting of Queen Victoria opening the Hall, and some engravings subject to proper insurance.

The Provisos as hereinbefore referred to

(1) That no arms should be put in the Hall except in such position as the Pictures Committee should indicate and that their directions should be made with reference to any recommendations they might make for the re-arrangement of the present Arms.

(2) That the leave to reproduce the Hogarth Picture should be upon the further term that all rights of further reproduction should be reserved to the Bench

(3) That the limit of £20 for the cleaning of the picture should be increased to £25. [*pp.* 289, 290]

Ordered upon the motion of Mr. W.F. Waite that a sub committee consisting of Mr. Waite, Mr. H.O. Danckwerts and the Hon. H.L. Parker be appointed with the object of giving assistance to members of the Inn wishing to Read in Chambers and so far as possible placing them in suitable chambers, and to report to the Bench from time to time. [*pp.* 290, 291]

Grand Day was fixed for Wednesday 21st July to which H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh, K.G. has accepted an invitation to be present. [*p.* 291]

Adopted the following report of the War Memorial Committee

Ordered that an appropriate notice be sent to the "Times" and that a circular letter be sent to Members of the Inn asking for information concerning those Members and children of Members who lost their lives whilst serving in H.M. Forces or as a result of enemy action. When the number of names to be commemorated is known, the matter to be referred to the Committee for further instructions. [*p.* 291]

Approved the design of the arms for the General Council of the Bar, subject to the arms of Lincoln's Inn being put in the chief quarter as Senior Inn and proper colouring being indicated [*pp.* 291, 292]

Mr. Justice Vaisey gave notice that he intended to propose at the earliest possible time the election of the Hon. Mr. Justice Ormerod¹ to the Bench. [*p.* 292]

¹ Sir Benjamin Ormerod was appointed on this day, May 25, to the High Court Bench from the County Court Bench.

Adjourned Council held on July 26th, 1948. [p. 295]

Twenty Benchers present.

"The Hon. Mr. Justice Vaisey moved the following Resolutions:

1. That the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the following motion to be proposed
2. That the Hon. Mr. Justice Ormerod be proposed for immediate election and elected (if thought fit) as a Bencher in anticipation of the next vacancy when it occurs shall be treated as filled thereby

Upon both resolutions being passed

It was Ordered that the Hon. Sir Benjamin Ormerod, a Justice of the High Court be invited to the Bench. . . ." [pp. 295, 296]

Accepted with appreciation a gift to the Society by His Honour Judge Daynes K.C. of a George II Tankard (dated 1737) to be known as "The Treasurer's Tankard." [p. 298]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings, Chambers and General Purposes Committee

As to the authority to be given to the Surveyor to apply for the necessary licence in respect of the reconstruction of Stone Buildings Ordered that the Surveyor be authorised to apply for the licence. [p. 298]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Read the Under Treasurer's report that acceptances for increases of rent have now been received from all tenants under agreement with the Society and that the total increase from 24th June 1948 amounts to £9,135.

Considered a reference from the Buildings Committee that the work to the basements of Nos. 3 and 4 Stone Buildings amounting to £2,087 of which £363.5.2 will be recoverable from the War Damage Commissioners leaving a balance of £1,723.14.10 to be met by the Society and Recommended to the Council that the work be proceeded with.

Considered a reference from the Buildings Committee that the sum of £500 be spent on exploratory work at No. 11 New Square and Recommended to the Council that the work be proceeded with.

Read the Surveyor's report that the District Valuer had accepted the Society's claim of £336.11.10 being the cost of constructing a shelter beneath the Chapel and of its subsequent removal.

Ordered that a communication from Sir Howard d'Egville¹ with reference to the entertainment of Dominion Delegates be referred to the Council with the recommendation that the Finance Committee consider that the present financial position of the Inn does not justify sending an invitation.

¹ (1879-1965) Organiser and first secretary of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. In 1948 he organised the visit of representatives of Overseas Legislatures to a Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in the U.K.

Approved the increase of £100 in the Library expenditure. [*pp.* 298, 299]

Referred to the Finance Committee the question as to whether a Term Fee should be charged to Students. [*p.* 299]

Received the verbal report of the Sub Committee with reference to the appointment of a new Chief Butler and Ordered that the Sub Committee be given power to act subject to the approval of the Treasurer. [*pp.* 299, 300]

Adopted the following report of the Pictures Committee

1. Upon considering the question of arms in the Hall and as to the position in which they are placed Ordered that the seven empty places on the east side of the Hall be filled first, thereafter arms to be placed in the top row of the west side of the Hall and continued until they match the east side and then subsequent arms to be placed alternately on the east and west sides.

2. Ordered that the arms of H.M. Queen Mary be placed in the Hall immediately below the Arms of H.M. King George V.

Ordered that in future no Arms of Honorary Benchers be put up in the Hall unless they are members of the Royal Family.

It was arranged for Mr. Justice Harman to visit Gray's Inn with a view to ascertaining the quality of the work of Harry Gryll from whom the estimate had been obtained for carrying out the necessary work for placing the Arms in the Hall.

Ordered that the estimate of Messrs. Colley & Co. for the repair, re-gilding and cleaning of the Society's picture frames amounting to £443.10.— be adjourned sine die.

Upon the question of purchasing a portrait of Sir George Jessel M.R. being raised Ordered that no action be taken. [*p.* 300]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

Approved the design of the tablets for the Inns of Court Regiment War Memorial to be placed in the Chapel; the Committee seeing no objection to the lettering being coloured blue. The form of inscription for the commemoration book as produced by Mr. Neville Gray was approved but the commemoration book itself was referred back to the Inns of Court Regiment Committee in order that it may be reconstructed with a view to its opening properly [*p.* 301]

Read the following report of the Discipline Committee

Considered a communication from the Council of Legal Education concerning Mr. Stany Pereira, a student of this Society who was found with a nut-shell book¹ amongst his examination papers at the Trinity

¹ "Nutshells." A well known series of short text books; a last refuge of the ill-prepared student.

Examination 1948. The Committee Ordered that the Council of Legal Education be asked what they propose to do in this case.

Ordered that the matter be Adjourned.¹ [p. 302]

Adjourned Council held on October 26th, 1948. [p. 305]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Read the report of the Students Committee and upon a vote being taken it was Resolved that K.S. Ma, a Chinese subject, be not admitted. [p. 305]

Read the following letter to the Treasurer from the Private Secretary to H.M. Queen Mary.

Thank you so much for your letter of the 17th August which I sent on to Sandringham for Queen Mary to see. I have now received Her Majesty's commands to say that it gives her the greatest pleasure to agree to your courteous request, on behalf of the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn, for permission to place her arms, as your Senior Bencher, in the Hall, below the arms of His late Majesty.

A water colour drawing of Queen Mary's coat of arms was made by Professor Tristram in 1946 for the engraving of Her Majesty's arms in the Cloisters at Canterbury Cathedral. I have the original drawing and could send it round to you at any time, if it would serve your purpose. [pp. 305, 306]

Received the report of the Under Treasurer of the death of Sir John Bennett, a Bencher of this Honourable Society. The vacancy on the Bench was deemed to have been filled by the previous election of the Hon. Mr. Justice Ormerod. [p. 313]

As a result of the elevation of Mr. Edward Holroyd Pearce, K.C. to the High Court Bench on 14th October 1948, Mr. Justice Vaisey moved and Council unanimously passed identical resolutions as had been passed in relation to the invitation to the Bench of Mr. Justice Ormerod. Thereupon Council Ordered that Mr. Justice Pearce be invited to the Bench. [p. 306]

Adopted the following reports of the Buildings Committee

28th July 1948

1. Upon considering the report of the Buildings Sub Committee on the restoration of Stone Buildings Recommended to the Finance Committee Scheme 2 and ask them to recommend it to the Council.

2. As to the position of Sir Giles Scott with reference to the restoration of Stone Buildings Ordered that as there is to be no further alteration to the exterior of Stone Buildings there is no need to consult Sir Giles Scott further. The Treasurer to see Sir Giles Scott about his remuneration.

21st October 1948

1. Upon considering a letter from The Rt. Hon. Lord Pethick-Lawrence with reference to the closing of Stone Buildings Gate Ordered that the

¹ See *post*, p. 536.

request cannot be acceded to as it would involve the employment of additional staff.

2. Upon considering quotations for supplying uniforms Ordered the purchase of great coats for the night porters. [p. 307]

Read the following report of the Finance Committee

1. [Investment proposals]

2. The Committee desire to draw the attention of the Council to the fact that, although the invested funds of the Society now amount to about £120,000, deposit liabilities amount to some £98,000. A proportion of this deposit, more than 40 years old, will probably never be claimed and the Society can safely rely on a certain proportion of deposits. But the Committee are of opinion that opportunity should be taken of the fact that higher rents will probably be obtained in the near future to establish a Reserve Fund to meet the deferred repairs, replacement of Old Buildings and contingencies, and generally to strengthen the financial position of the Society. The Committee refer to this again later in their report. They desire to point out that the present position has arisen largely owing to the fact that it has been the policy of the Council to use any available liquid funds for the acquisition of Chambers in New Square whenever it was possible to do so at a reasonable price.¹

3. Upon considering the report of the Buildings Committee on the restoration of Stone Buildings (of which a summary is circulated herewith) the Committee recommend the adoption of Scheme 2, subject to a satisfactory contract. The Committee also recommend the appointment of a sub-committee consisting of two members of the Finance Committee, two members of the Buildings Committee and the Treasurer, to consider tenders, contracts, and progress of works, and to deal generally with matters arising out of the restoration of these buildings. The same sub-committee to consider the establishment of the reserve referred to in paragraph 2 above, whether by sinking fund policy, or otherwise

4. [Mode of payment for works]

5. [Surveyor's and architect's fees]

6. Upon considering the effect upon charitable donations made by the Society of the National Health Service Act 1946, recommend to the Council that covenants to make donations to hospitals be not renewed.

7. As to the claim to be made by the Society under the Town and Country Planning Act 1947, recommend to the Council to appoint a sub-committee to consider this as a matter of urgency.

8. Upon considering the question as to a term fee to be paid by Students and the memorandum by the Under Treasurer relating thereto (a copy is

¹ See Introduction, pp. 37, 38.

circulated herewith¹), recommend to the Council that in view of increased costs, and as a temporary regulation, a term fee of 10/- be charged to Students for keeping terms, to come into operation from Hilary Term next and that so long as only one dinner is taken there be no charge for dinner.

9. Upon considering an application from the Educational Interchange Council for a donation, recommend that no grant be made.

10. Upon considering a communication from the Legal Adviser to the Control for Germany, the Finance Committee sees no objection to facilities being given to German Students to see over the Inn.

The Council thereupon Ordered as follows

Paragraph 1 adopted.

Paragraph 2. Establishment of a Reserve Fund agreed in principle.

Paragraph 3 a & b [Sub Committees of nominated Benchers set up.]

Paragraphs 4, 5 and 6 adopted.

Paragraph 7. [Sub Committee of nominated Benchers set up.]

Paragraph 8 As to the term fee of 10/-, it was agreed that this should be charged in addition to the 5/- for lunch in and after the Hilary Term.

Paragraphs 9 & 10 adopted. [pp. 308-311]

The following is a summary of the Buildings Committee report on the restoration of Stone Buildings referred to in paragraph 3 of the Finance committee's report

The report is confined to the reconstruction of Nos. 1-6 Stone Buildings and compares and contrasts 3 schemes. Scheme 1 is the scheme which was originally suggested involving central heating throughout and the provision of only two new lifts, but with lavatories on all floors at a total estimated cost of £197,137.

Two alternative schemes were subsequently proposed and considered by the Buildings Committee and these differed from scheme 1 in the following main respects. Scheme 2 provides for four new lifts and a concentration of main lavatory accommodation in the basement of Nos. 2-6 with no central heating but with electric power and gas facilities available throughout. Under scheme 3 there will be only two new lifts and the lavatories will be confined to the basements of Nos. 2, 4 and 6 only. In other respects scheme 3 would be similar to scheme 2. The estimated cost of scheme 2 is £184,000 and of scheme 3, £178,000. The difference between scheme 2 and scheme 3 as to costs is accounted for by the cost of two more lifts in scheme 2 and the main lavatory accommodation provided in the basement of all buildings and not merely confined to Nos. 2, 4 and 6. All three schemes involve the complete reconstruction of the third floor which it is intended to be used as flats or

¹ A copy of this memorandum is held in the archives of the Inn. It summarises the history of the charge since 1922, provides information about student charges in the other Inns, and calculates the effect of a charge of 10/-.

offices, and in order to provide a better view from the third floor to the outside and better natural light it is proposed to raise the floor of the third floor by two feet or thereabouts which would necessitate obtaining permits for the necessary steel. Each of these schemes include the sum of £29,620 in respect of deferred maintenance, a sum which would have had to be incurred by the Inn in any event and for which no provision had been made in the past.

In scheme 1 there would be 196 rooms available with [no¹] central heating. In scheme 2 there would be 183 and in scheme 3, 190, the difference being between scheme 2 and the other schemes being due to the provision of the extra accommodation in the basement and the space occupied by the lifts in each building.

The rental from these buildings in 1939 amounted to £6,791, which included £1,272 from the residential chambers on the third floor and on part of the second floor. The rents from the third floor alone amounted to £875 per annum. On the assumption that the third floor will be let as residential flats under either scheme 2 or 3 the estimated rentals would be £1,500 more under scheme 2 than under simple re-instatement and about £200 less under scheme 3 than under scheme 2. If the third floor were let as offices the rentals would be increased by over £1,100. The adoption of either scheme 2 or 3 would involve additional outgoings for extra cleaning, lighting repairs, maintenance and also a sinking fund to which reference is made below. In the case of scheme 2, these would amount to £1,110 and in the case of scheme 3 to £710. The result is that scheme 2 which would cost about £5,000 more than scheme 3 would produce £260 less income than scheme 3 (if the third floor is not let for offices) but would according to estimates produce a gross revenue of £14,135, and the net cost to the Society after deducting the estimated War Damage compensation is estimated at about £52,700. Considered from the point of view of finance scheme 3 is preferable to scheme 2, though it may be that the rentals will be more easily maintained under scheme 2 than under scheme 3. In any event, scheme 3 affords fewer conveniences than scheme 2, and it may be that if scheme 2, with the additional lifts and conveniences, is not adopted, the decision could afterwards be regretted.

The Buildings Committee unanimously recommended the adoption of scheme 2 as affording more amenities and facilities than either of the other schemes and having regard to the long term view, and recommended that the Finance Committee be asked to consider making provision for the recoupment of the charge for deferred maintenance and for the periodical maintenance charges in the future by a sinking fund accumulated out of the rentals to be recovered. [pp. 311–313]

Read the Treasurer's report on Grand Day held in Trinity Term (21st July 1948). There were present 50 Masters of the Bench, 114 Barristers, [fourteen] guests and the Under Treasurer. The net cost to the Society for the dinner was £255.7.4. [pp. 314, 315]

¹ *Sic*, but must be wrong.

"Accepted the gift of a bookcase from Arthur Cole, Esq., one of the Masters of the Bench." [p. 315]

Council held on November 25th, 1948. [p. 319]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Read the following telegrams to and from H.M. Queen Mary and Their Royal Highnesses the Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh. [pp. 319, 320]

The Treasurer and your fellow Benchers of Lincoln's Inn send loyal greetings and beg to offer their respectful and hearty congratulations to Your Majesty on the occasion of the birth of your first great grandchild.

To the Treasurer, Lincoln's Inn

Most grateful to you and my fellow Benchers for greetings and congratulations on this joyous occasion. Mary R.

To H.R.H. Princess Elizabeth

The Treasurer and Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn send loyal greetings and beg to offer their respectful and hearty congratulations to Your Royal Highness and H.R.H. The Duke of Edinburgh on the occasion of the birth of your son.

To the Treasurer, the Bench of Lincoln's Inn

We are most grateful for your kind message of congratulations. Elizabeth and Philip.

Officers for 1949. [p. 325]

Treasurer: John Herbert Stamp

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Simonds

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Vaisey

Keeper of the Black Book: Sir Henry Tindal Methold

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton

Adopted the following report of the War Memorial Committee

The Under Treasurer reported that about 1000 forms had been sent out to Members of the Inn and certain relatives asking for information concerning Members of the Inn or children of Members of the Inn who had lost their lives in the War. From the response received it would appear that there are about thirty names to be commemorated.

The Committee instructed the Under Treasurer to write to the Treasurer asking if he would communicate with Sir Giles Scott for his advice as to the best way to deal with the problem of the War Memorial, or, alternatively, to suggest an architect best suited to carry out the work. [p. 323]

Adopted the report of the Town and Country Planning Committee

The Committee having considered the Town and Country Planning Act 1947 and The London Squares Preservation Act 1931 was of opinion that "development rights" attached to the gardens west of Stone Buildings

and (although to a much more limited extent), to New Square and other parts of the Inn, in respect of which a claim to participate in the £300,000,000 ought to be made, and recommend accordingly that instructions be given to the Surveyor to value such rights. [p. 324]

[Council adopted the following recommendation of the Discipline Committee]

Upon considering further the case of Mr. Stany Pereira, a student of this Society Recommend that in the circumstances Mr. Pereira be not allowed to submit himself for examination until the Trinity Examination in 1949.... [pp. 324, 325]

"Read a report from the Bar Representation Committee and thereupon Ordered that it be referred to the Kitchen Committee to consider the desirability of Calls to the Bar taking place in the evening and that it be referred to the Wine Committee to consider the sale of port and sherry to barristers lunching in Hall." [p. 326]

Adjourned Council held on December 20th, 1948. [p. 327]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

1. Ordered that the reduction in the purchase price of Chambers at No. 1 New Square from £6200 to £6000 be agreed.

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5. Ordered that a pension of £96.6.3 be paid to Mr. A. Hart, the Society's Chief Butler, on his retirement....

6. Ordered that Mr. Welch be appointed Chief Butler at a salary of £400. Mr. Welch to be informed that his salary covers service at dinners when resumed.

7. The general arrangements for pensions to be reconsidered by Mr. J.H. Stamp and Mr. Arthur Cole to make sure that all avoidable tax liability is suitably provided against. [pp. 329, 330]

Adopted the following report of the Kitchen Committee

1. Recommend that Calls to the Bar take place in the evening; that Barristers be invited to dine; and that the price of the dinner for members of the Bench and Bar be fixed at 10/-.

2. Ordered that free beer to the staff be abolished.

3. Upon considering a reference from the Council inviting the Kitchen Committee to consider any possible method of reducing the deficit, report as follows:

"The deficit is partly artificial in as much as no part of the Students fees is allocated to the kitchen expenses though kitchen expenses are incurred in relation to the Students meals.

"A substantially reduced deficit for the year is anticipated (the Under Treasurer estimates a reduction in last year's deficit of about £1000).

"No further suggestion has been made whereby expenses may be reduced or receipts increased, except possibly as to the employment of waitresses as to which the Under Treasurer will make enquiries."
[pp. 330, 331]

"Accepted an invitation from the International Law Association for this Society to join that Association and Ordered that the subscription of £2 be paid." [p. 332]

Treasurer: His Honour Sir Tom Eastham, K.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

August 3 Sir John Bennett, Vice-Chancellor of the County Palatine of Lancaster 1936-1948

Benchers elected on appointment to the High Court Bench

1. Sir Benjamin Ormerod
 2. Sir Edward Holroyd Pearce
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Council held on January 26th, 1949. [p. 335]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Honorary Secretary of the Bar Association of Jamaica and it was Ordered that the Bar Association of Jamaica be informed that the Masters of the Bench have no power to accede to their suggestion which was to the effect that the Masters of the Bench should accept the ruling of the Jamaica Bar Association in local disciplinary cases." [p. 337]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mr. E.G. Wicks, late Foreman of Works. It was resolved that no outside successor be appointed." [p. 338]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon considering the case of Mr. E.G. Wicks, late Foreman of Works, the Under Treasurer reported that Mr. Wicks had been a most valuable servant who had rendered devoted service during the War and that in the Under Treasurer's opinion Mr. Wick's early death was to some degree due to his devotion to duty. Recommend that whilst her circumstances remain as at present the widow be paid a pension of £3 per week.

Upon considering a communication from Mrs. Lavigne as to her lease on the Bishop's Court property Resolved that Mr. Clapham, the Society's Surveyor, be asked to enter into communications with Mrs. Lavigne with a view to ascertaining what arrangements would be acceptable to her, i.e. what increased rent she would be prepared to pay or, in the alternative, what premium, or, in the further alternative, whether she would be prepared to purchase the freehold and at what price.

Upon considering a communication from the Bar Library as to the collection of the legislation of the 48 States of the United States of America Recommend that the proposal to renew the collection be approved. It is estimated that the share of each Inn would be about £25. [pp. 338, 339]

Adopted the following report of the Wine Committee

Recommend the sale of Government Port and South African Sherry at 2/- per glass to barristers lunching in Hall.

Recommend that the Order of the Wine Committee dated 15th April 1935 as to the issue of wine to the Treasury Office Staff during dining terms be confirmed with the addition that a like allowance of one bottle per day during the dining term be made to the Under Treasurer. [p. 340]

Adopted the report of the Discipline Committee which included the following

As to the procedure to be adopted with regard to charges made against members of the Society. Recommend that rules be framed for dealing with questions of disbaring members of the Inn arising not from complaints but from convictions by Courts of Law or from the act of overseas jurisdictions in disbaring members locally. [pp. 340, 341]

Ordered that the report of the sub committee with reference to the use of the Halls and Benchers Rooms be referred back to the sub committee for further consideration on the footing that no profit charge is desired but that the Society ought not to lose by such use and the sub committee is to enquire and report as to the actual cost to the Society in out-of-pocket expenses, and such matters as wear and tear and breakages. [p. 341]

Adjourned Council held on March 31st, 1949. [p. 344]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Inner Temple

(a) As to a resolution inviting the other Inns to a preliminary conference to discuss the report of the Four Inns and the Bar Council dated 11th February 1949; and

(b) That at the suggestion of the Canadian Bar Association a Committee of the four Inns be appointed to decide upon the allocation of gifts from Canada was unanimously approved and it was resolved that the Deputy Treasurer and Lord Schuster be appointed representatives of that Inn upon such Joint Committee

Ordered that as to (a) the matter stand over for a report from the Finance Committee and (b) that the Treasurer and Mr. Justice Roxburgh be appointed to represent Lincoln's Inn on such Joint Committee. [p. 345]

"Ordered that a Benchers Guest Night be held in Easter Term on Wednesday 18th May 1949. The charge to be 10/- for a Bencher and 35/- for a guest." [p. 347]

Ordered that the customs and practices for dining in Hall as drawn up by J.H. Bowman, Esq., be approved. The Rules to be entered in the Black Book and hung up in the Hall, and also to be printed in a booklet to be supplied to Barristers on their Call. It was further Ordered that a vote of thanks be passed to Mr. Bowman and recorded in the Black Book. [p. 347; the Rules are printed in Appendix 4]

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee.

1. Upon considering the letter of the Inns of Court Regiment concerning the two War Memorials to be erected in the Chapel, the suggestions contained in the letter from Major J.A.G. Scott dated 4th March 1949 are agreed [Extracts from the letter follow]

1. *Date and Time.* Sunday 1st May at 11.30 a.m.
2. *Form of Ceremony.* It is suggested that the ceremony, which should be simple, should immediately precede the ordinary service of Matins.
3. *Persons taking part.* My committee and the Regiment hope that the Benchers will welcome the suggestion that the unveiling should be performed by the Marquess of Reading who is at present Honorary Colonel of the Regiment. They also hope that the service would be conducted jointly by the Preacher of Lincoln's Inn and the Rev. J. Du Boulay Lance (now Vicar of St. Andrews, Taunton) Chaplain of the Regiment throughout the War. Members of the Regiment particularly those who served with him in France and Germany would very much appreciate it if Mr. Lance were to perform the dedication and were to be asked to preach the sermon.
4. *Congregation.*...
5. *Guests.*...
6. *Ceremonial.*... The Regiment will esteem it an honour if the Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn would accompany the Honorary Colonel in an inspection of the Regiment and would take the salute with him at a March past. It would, I think be most convenient to have this ceremony before the Service. It would not take very long...

Resolved that the following gentlemen be invited to luncheon after the Ceremony.

The Hon. Colonel (the Marquess of Reading)
 The Colonel and Second in Command of the Regiment
 The Chaplain to the Inns of Court Regiment
 The Treasurers (or Acting Treasurers) of the other Inns
 The Master of the Temple
 The Chairman of the General Council of the Bar
 The President of the Law Society

and that on this occasion no ladies are to be invited.

Major Scott to be informed that the Chapel can accommodate up to three hundred members and ex-members of the regiment.

II. Mr. Justice Vaisey was asked to make enquiry as to a Warburton Lecturer for the October Term

III. It was Resolved that it should be a rule as to the reading of lessons in Chapel that it is the duty of the Dean to read the first lesson or arrange for another Benchler to read it in his place, and the duty of the Treasurer to read the second lesson or arrange for another Benchler to read it in his place. In nominating a deputy the Dean and the Treasurer are not to be bound by seniorities. [pp. 350-354]

Adopted the following report of the Discipline Committee

Upon considering the case of Amruthlal Jalabhay a Student of this Society, the Committee decided after hearing the Counsel for Mr. Jalabhay and what he himself had to say, that the case against him was not sufficiently proved to justify the cancellation of his Admission but that he should be warned that his certificates of character, though accepted by the Inn upon his Admission as a Student, would not be relied upon when the time came for his Call when he would have to satisfy the Master of the Bench whom he wished to move his Call that he was a suitable candidate for Call. [p. 354]

Adopted the report of the Buildings Committee as follows

Recommend to the Council that an application from Planet Pictures Ltd to take photographs in the Inn for publication be acceded to.

Approved a request from Mr. Reginald W. Lone for permission to form a dormer window in the roof at 15 New Square. [pp. 354, 355]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Recommended that the use of the Benchers Rooms and a grant of £30 be made to the staff of this Society for their Annual Party to be held on the 7th April 1949. [p. 355]

Council held on May 3rd, 1949. [p. 357]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee (inter alia) as to items 2 & 3

2. Upon considering the report from the Buildings Committee with reference to the reconstruction of No. 11 New Square, authority was given for work to proceed on the footing of the report.

3. Upon considering a reference from the Buildings Committee concerning the Bishops Court property to the effect that the Buildings Committee is not in favour of a sale, but has no objection to the postponement of the reversion for a further term of 20 years or thereabouts and refers to the Finance Committee the question of terms: the Finance Committee Recommends that the Surveyor be instructed to offer an extension of the existing lease at the same rental for a premium of £10,000. [pp. 358, 359]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee

Upon considering the Surveyor's estimates as to the cost of reconstruction of No. 11 New Square it was ordered that the Surveyor's report and proposal be approved.

It was also requested that the Surveyor should furnish a statement of requirements for panelling the entrance and staircase to the first floor and also providing an entrance door in pursuance of the offer of the Canadian Law Society. [p. 359]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Restoration Committee

Upon considering the tenders for the reconstruction of Nos. 1 and 2 Stone Buildings it was agreed that the tender of Holland Hannen and Cubitts Ltd. amounting to £64, 994 be accepted. . . . [pp. 359, 360]

Approved the appointment of the Rev. Canon Adam Fox as the next Warburton Lecturer. [p. 360]

Council held on May 30th, 1949. [p. 364]

Eighteen Benchers present.

The Treasurer reported the offer of the Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel, Bart. K.C. to make up the shrinkage to the income of the Cassel Scholarship Trust to its original figure of £600 per annum by a sufficient addition to the capital of the Fund.

A Resolution was passed expressing warm appreciation of Sir Felix Cassel's further generosity to the Inn. Such resolution to be conveyed to Sir Felix by the Treasurer. [p. 365]

"Approved Monday 18th July as the date for the Grand Day in Trinity Term being the only day on which H.R.H. the Duke of Edinburgh can be present." [p. 365]

The Librarian reported an exceptionally valuable gift to the Library (which is now on the Library shelves) of a set of the Restatement of American Law by the American Law Institute in 23 volumes and a 1948 Supplement accompanied by a set of 137 volumes of State annotations. These together are a good foundation for a working library of American Law. The gift is made by the American Law Institute, the publishers of the work, through the good offices in England of Mr. Barnett Hollander, and in America of Judge Herbert Goodrich (Director of the Institute), Mr. Harrison Tweed, the late President of the New York Bar Association and Mr. C.L. Ames, the Managing Director of the Publishing Company.

The Treasurer also reported a generous offer of Mr. Barnett Hollander to present to the Library his working copies of the United States "Corpus Juris" (71 volumes) and the "Corpus Juris Secundum" which has reached its 58th volume by the letter "M". He will subscribe for the remaining volumes as they appear and add them to the gift. The offer is subject to the reservation that the volumes of the "Secundum" remain on his shelves while he remains in practice but at the disposal of any member of the Inn who may wish to consult them.

[Council thereupon passed by acclamation appropriate resolutions of thanks and appreciation: *pp.* 364–367]

Adopted the report of the Town and Country Planning Committee

The Surveyor to the Society, Anthony Clapham Esq. attended the meeting and was instructed by the Committee to fill up the necessary forms, the amount of the claims being left blank. The claims to include claims in respect of the north side of the garden adjoining Holborn and the centre of the New Square gardens. [*p.* 367]

Adopted the report of the War Memorial Committee

Recommend that the drawings for the War Memorial prepared by Mr. G.H.W. Cashmore be approved and his estimate of 100 guineas be accepted, and that instructions be given for the execution of the work. Recommend further that the two principal tablets be placed on the two sides of the present central tablet and the Memorial to sons be placed on the east end of the monument under the existing tablet there. [*p.* 363]

Council held on July 4th, 1949. [*p.* 371]

Twenty Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Inner Temple reporting a resolution passed by the four Treasurers and other representatives of the Four Inns at a meeting held on the 28th June 1949 in the following terms

It was unanimously resolved to submit for approval to the respective Benches recommendations dated 24th May 1949 of the Standing Joint Committee of the Four Inns with a Committee of the Bar Council to limit the request of the Bar Council for a guarantee of a sum of £2000 a year (in addition to the £2400 a year at present subscribed by the Four Inns) and also to limit the period of the guarantee to ten years, it being understood that the Standing Joint Committee will be regularly consulted and supplied with all necessary information. . . .

Adopted the recommendation of the meeting of the 28th June 1949. [*pp.* 372, 373]

Adopted a recommendation of the Finance Committee re-affirming the order at present standing with reference to the placing of arms in the Hall. [*p.* 373]

Read the following report of the Garden Committee

Upon considering the report of Mr. W.M. Campbell, Curator of Kew, on the trees north of the Hall and Library Buildings, it was recommended that the report be acted upon, but the work, except the removal of trees, be deferred until after rebuilding Stone Buildings. It was further recommended that Mr. S. Killick's estimate for the removal of two Plane trees and two Elm trees for a total cost of £35.15 be accepted.

Ordered that the report be not adopted, and that no trees are to be felled. [*p.* 374]

The Treasurer reported the gift of a Medal to this Society by the Batonnier of the Bar of Paris and it was Ordered that an appropriate letter of thanks be sent by the Treasurer. [p. 374]

Adjourned Council held on July 27th, 1949. [p. 376]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Hon. Denys Burton Buckley. [pp. 374, 378]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee, after Sir Tom Eastham and Sir Felix Cassel had both explained and reported that the finances of the Inn were somewhat precarious having regard in particular to a probable falling off of the admission of students. They considered that the deficit on the kitchen account was still excessive. Sir Tom Eastham stated that he had discussed with the Society's accountant, Mr. Douglas Whinney, the present form of accounts, and had agreed with him that a new form of accounts should be prepared which would in future show the finances of the Inn more clearly.

It was resolved that the suggestion for table money be not adopted, but that the prices of luncheons should be increased so as to provide the equivalent of an extra 6d. on all luncheons served at the Bench and Bar Tables and that this matter be referred to the Kitchen Committee. [pp. 376, 377]

Read a communication from Gray's Inn of an Order "that the Students of this Society be no longer deprived of the privilege and advantages of keeping terms by dining in the Hall in the evening and that in Michaelmas Term 1949 the ancient custom of keeping term by dining in the Hall at 7 p.m. each evening be restored and the war-time method of dining at 1.15 p.m. be abandoned."

It was referred to the Finance and Kitchen Committees to consider and report whether it would be possible to allow for occasional dining in the evenings during dining term for Students. [pp. 377, 378]

Adjourned Council held on October 12th, 1949. [p. 380]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Ordered that a Benchers' Ladies Night Dinner be held on Monday 7th November. The charge for each Bencher to be 10/- and for each guest 20/-." [p. 380]

"Granted an Application made by Richard O'Sullivan Esq. K.C. for the use of the Old Hall for the holding of a formal disputation in the Medieval manner." [p. 382]

Council held on November 28th, 1949. [p. 385]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Officers for 1950. [p. 387]

Treasurer: Hon. Mr. Justice Vaisey

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Simonds

Dean of the Chapel: Sir Henry Tindal Methold

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton
 Master of the Walks: Cecil Willie Turner.

"Approved a communication from the Inner Temple of an Order: The Committee recommends that it is desirable that the Treasurers of all four Inns should meet from time to time to consider the appointment as Honorary Masters of the Bench of the various Inns of Chief Justices of the Dominions and Commonwealth and also of Law Lords in this country who are not members of the English Bar." [p. 386]

Adopted the report of the Finance and Kitchen Joint Committee from which the following extracts are taken.

The Committee recommends that as from Hilary Term 1950 dinner be provided in Hall at 7 p.m. on the first and last days of the dining terms and on Call Days at which Benchers, Barristers and Students may attend ... that the numbers of Students dining be limited to 120 on the first and last nights of term and to 80 on Call Night.

Students will keep term by lunching or dining in the Hall once only, but there will be no lunch for Students on the first and last days of the Term. Students desirous of keeping term by dining in the Hall will be required to give at least seven days notice. At least twenty-four hours notice must be given of intention to keep term by lunching in Hall...

The Committee also recommend that in future, grace before and after luncheon should be said by the Treasurer or the senior Bencher present. [pp. 388, 389]

Read the following communication from the Surveyor with reference to the progress of the War Damage repairs at Nos. 1 and 2 Stone Buildings

After a meeting which Mr. Anderson and I had this morning, I am writing to you informally to let you know that at the present time the work is several weeks ahead of schedule, and the final cost to the Honourable Society seems likely to be less than we had previously anticipated as we have been able to make satisfactory settlements with the Assessor who has now agreed to pay the whole cost of renewing the ornamental stone cornice, notwithstanding the fact that the stonework has become seriously corroded through a hundred and sixty years of exposure to the weather, during which time it has not been washed down to prevent deterioration from the acids in the air. So far, therefore, everything can be regarded as most satisfactory although there is, of course, still time for unforeseen defects to be disclosed.

In order to preserve the new stonework I think a serious attempt should be made to carry out the washing of the stonework with slightly alkaline warm water every ten years, as is usually done with the more important Portland Stone buildings in London.

It seems likely, therefore, that the present work at Nos. 1 and 2 will be completed some weeks before March Quarter Day of next year and if we

assume that you can give us vacant possession of Nos. 3 and 4 Stone Buildings on the 25th March next, I think it should be sufficient for our purpose even though we may wish to erect the exterior scaffolding around the buildings prior to that date. I have in mind that if we can re-erect the new scaffolding as the present scaffolding¹ is removed from Nos. 1 and 2, there will probably be some saving in expense.

I am sending you herewith plans of Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4 Stone Buildings and have marked the existing tenancies upon Nos. 3 and 4 so that you can prepare a scheme for the transference of the tenants from these two buildings.

Ordered that a note be made that in ten years' time the work recommended by the Surveyor for the preservation of the stonework be carried out.

Approved the Surveyor's suggestion for the construction of strong rooms in the basement of No. 2 Stone Buildings.

Read the Surveyor's letter of the 22nd July 1949 as to preparing a record of the Heraldic and stained leaded lights throughout the Inn that have been destroyed in the War.

Ordered that the Surveyor be instructed to act in accordance with his report.

The Surveyor reported that a licence had been received in respect of No. 11 New Square.

Ordered that the Surveyor be instructed to prepare a report as to any necessary work for the maintenance of the Inn's buildings including only work urgently required for safety. [*pp.* 390-392]

Adopted the following report of the War Memorial Committee

Upon considering a form of ceremony on the occasion of the unveiling of the War Memorial Tablets It was resolved that the ceremony of unveiling the memorial should follow substantially the ceremony after the First World War,¹ and that Field Marshal Lord Alexander should be asked to give the address and, failing him, Admiral Lord Cunningham. [*p.* 392]

Adjourned Council held on December 14th, 1949. [*p.* 394]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Middle Temple of an Order rejecting the recommendation of the Inner Temple as to the desirability of the Treasurers of all four Inns meeting from time to time to consider the appointment [of certain categories of Honorary Benchers]. [*pp.* 394, 395]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

As to the appointment of a permanent Vice Chairman in place of Sir Felix Cassel who has resigned, the Committee would like Mr. A.M. Latter K.C. to be asked to accept the office.

¹ See *ante*, pp. 169, 170.

Ordered the following report of the Staff Sub Committee be adopted subject to fixing a yearly maximum in the case of extra Bench Dinner payments. [Salary, wages stated after increases]

TREASURY OFFICE

Mr. L.W. Pilkington (second clerk)	£530 p.a.
Miss C. O'May (third clerk)	£6 per week
Miss D.E. Philipson (fourth clerk)	£5 per week

HALL STAFF

Mr. Welch (chief butler)	£425 p.a.
Mr. Dandridge (second butler)	£1 for all Bench Dinners
Mr. Leggett (usher of Hall)	£6 per week
Mr. Clay (upper vestibule porter)	£5.5.- per week
Mr. Onley (Barristers lav. attendant)	£5.5.- per week
Mr. Keogh (Library porter)	£5.5.- per week
Miss Campbell (head laundress)	Increase of 6/- p.w. during sittings

KITCHEN

Mr. Beckford (chef)	£7.10 p.w.
Mr. Barrall L (assistant chef)	£6.10 p.w.
Mr. Siever (vegetable chef)	£6 p.w.

Kitchen porters to be paid 12/6 per night for all Bench Dinners, not exceeding £10 p.a.

GARDEN

D. Barrall	£3 per week
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Granted an application by the Chief Clerk on behalf of the employees of the Inn for the use of the Hall for a dinner and Ordered that a contribution of £30 be made towards the expenses of the party.

The Under Treasurer reported that Mr. J.P. Beavan, the Library Assistant, had been appointed Assistant Librarian to the Middle Temple. Ordered that Mr. Beavan's resignation be accepted as from the end of December and that steps be taken to fill his place. [*pp.* 395, 396]

Upon considering the report of the Discipline Committee with reference to Patrick Aloysius Marrinan and Charles Evariste Collet, it was Resolved as follows

(a) As to the case of P.A. Marrinan the Council thought that it was for the Bench of Northern Ireland first to arrive at a conclusion as to whether Mr. Marrinan should or should not be now regarded as fit to be a member of the Bar of Northern Ireland. The Council felt that the Bench of Northern Ireland had opportunities of forming an opinion as to Mr. Marrinan's present character, and his conduct since he committed his offence, whereas the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn have no such opportunity.

The Council decided to postpone all further consideration of the matter until a decision has been reached in Northern Ireland, and they have no desire to influence that decision one way or the other.

(b) As to the case of Mr. C.E. Collet, Ordered that the following letter be sent to Mr. Collet by the Under Treasurer.

I am directed by the Masters of the Bench to write to you as follows

After careful consideration of the material before them and hearing the report of the Discipline Committee they came to two conclusions.

(a) The main charges against you cannot be proved or disproved without evidence from the Seychelles which the Masters of the Bench have no means of procuring. If proved they would call for the severest censure and disciplinary action, but being unproved the Masters of the Bench are bound to disregard them.

(b) Apart from these charges, the Admitted facts disclose a very unsatisfactory history. As Attorney General you allowed yourself to become a direct instrument for the collection of taxes, which, whether or not you knew it, were not due, by means which cannot be approved, and which the Government was constrained afterwards to repay; and at your interview with the Discipline Committee you asked them to remember that you were acting under the directions of the Governor. This request discloses an attitude of mind that calls for immediate correction. A member of the Bar is alone answerable for the propriety of his conduct and no direction from any political or administrative officer, however eminent, or from any client, can justify action otherwise improper. It is the duty of a member of the Bar resolutely to reject any instruction or direction improper for him to carry out.

Such a storm as has arisen around your action in this case is detrimental to the reputation of the Bar and should be a warning to you in future to keep careful watch upon your conduct. Remember also your duty to this Inn whose reputation is made up of the reputation of its past and present members, including yourself. [pp. 397-399]

Read the report of the Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court with a Committee of the Bar Council held at Gray's Inn on the 29th November 1949 and Resolved as follows

1. The Council noted with satisfaction that subscriptions from the Bar to the Bar Council for the current year were sufficient to relieve the Inns of their guarantees for the year.

2. The recommendation was approved that the four Treasurers should (with such other Benchers as they should think fit to invite) meet to consider the entertainment of the visitors to this country in July next in connection with the International Bar Association and it was resolved that it was the view of the Council that the representatives of this Inn should not be restricted by any arbitrary limit to expenditure but should approach the matter on the footing that the hospitality extended should be worthy of the tradition of the Inns and such as not to disappoint the expectation of the guests.

3. The provision of finance must be considered after the matter has been dealt with on the above lines.

4. The report was otherwise approved. [pp. 399, 400]

"Granted an application from the Transport Tribunal for the use of the Old Hall." [p. 400]

"Granted an application from the B.B.C. for the use of the Old Hall for a Medieval Disputation on Monday, 23rd January 1950." [p. 400]

Treasurer: John Herbert Stamp

The following Benchers died during the year

June 28 Alan Chancellor Nesbitt b.1874. Since 1941, one of the Conveyancing Counsel of the Supreme Court.

Elected in his place: Denys Burton Buckley.

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Council held on January 11th, 1950. [p. 401]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

"Read the report of the Students Committee and passed a resolution in accordance with Consolidated Regulation 2a with reference to the Admission of Miss Elizabeth Ganne Also Ordered that it be referred to the Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar to consider whether under the purposes of Regulation 2a pending the signing of the Treaties of Peace, subjects of enemy states should be treated simply as aliens and not as alien enemies." [p. 401]

"Read a communication from Gray's Inn that no Order be made on the recommendations of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple on the question of the appointment of Honorary Benchers." [p. 402]

Upon considering statements by the Treasurer it was Resolved:

1. That Admiral Viscount Cunningham be asked to unveil the War Memorial.
2. That the practice of recent origin by which Benchers with the leave of the Treasurer, have been allowed to bring guests to lunch in the Hall, be discontinued.
3. That the question of Guest Nights out of term be referred to the Kitchen and Wine Committees who are to report to the Finance Committee: the Finance Committee to report to the Council. [p. 403]

Council held on January 31st, 1950. [p. 406]

Thirty Benchers present.

Read the following report by the Treasurer of a meeting of Treasurers and other representatives of the four Inns with reference to the hospitality to be offered to the International Bar Association on the occasion of their Congress in London in 1950.

The first item on the agenda was to consider what if any hospitality can be offered to the International Bar Association on the occasion of their Congress in London between the 19th and 26th July 1950.

It was decided that the representatives would recommend to their respective Benches that an afternoon party be held with the permission of the Treasurer from 4.30 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Thursday the 20th July 1950 and that the expenses of this be shared equally by the four Inns. It was further recommended that each Inn should appoint two representatives to a committee to work out and be in general charge of the details, the Under Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn to act as secretary. It was recommended that each individual invited should receive a separate invitation card.

The other matter under discussion was what, if any, alteration should be made in the fees payable by Students on Admission and Call. Although the representatives of the Inner Temple were not prepared to recommend to their Bench any substantial increase in Admission or Call Fees, it was decided after a general discussion that the representatives of each Inn should seek the views of their respective Benches on the feasibility of increasing the Admission Fees by between £10 and £20 and that a further meeting be held later when the views of the Benches had been ascertained.

It was thereupon recommended that the Admission Fee be increased by £10, subject to further consideration by the four Treasurers. [*pp.* 407, 408]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following extracts:

Recommend: 1. (a) that Holland, Hannen and Cubitts' tender of £45,590 for the re-instatement of No. 11 New Square be accepted
(b) that the Buildings Committee be authorised until further order to expend up to £18,000 annually on works approved by them as maintenance or repairs.

2. Recommended the appointment of W.H.T. Satchwill as Third Librarian, from the 20th February next. . .

3. Approved the Library Budget for 1950 amounting to £3,258. [*p.* 410]

Granted an application from Professor A.L. Goodhart, K.B.E., K.C. for the use of the Hall for a dinner on Friday, 14th July on behalf of the Society of Public Teachers of Law.¹ [*p.* 414]

Adjourned Council held on March 24th, 1950. [*p.* 415]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Upon considering the report of the Discipline Committee Resolved that consideration of the application of Mr. P.A. Marrinan to be re-instated a

¹ Professor Goodhart was the President of the Society for the year 1949-1950. For another President see *post*, p. 685.

student of this Honourable Society be postponed until the expiration of three years from his becoming a Member of the Bar of Northern Ireland." [p. 417]

"The Treasurer invited discussion of the question whether Moots should be held in order to afford practice in advocacy for the Students of this Honourable Society. After discussion it was Resolved that the Students Committee with Professor Goodhart and Professor Hollond be requested to consider this question bearing in mind the arrangement for Moots and Debates now in force for the benefit of all students and to report to the Council." [p. 417]

STAFF DINNER

By the authority of the Treasurer, the Hon. Mr. Justice Vaisey, the following account of a staff dinner is hereby recorded.

On Friday, 31st March, 1950, the staff of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn held a Dinner in the Great Hall. So far as is known, this is the first time that the whole of the staff has dined in the Hall.

The Under Treasurer of the Society, H.C.H. Fairchild, Esq., was in the Chair and, in addition to the wives and other guests of the staff, the Treasurer, and other Benchers with their Ladies, also attended.

Music was played throughout the Dinner by a string quartette, and the gathering was afterwards entertained by two singers and a conjurer. [p. 419]

Council held on April 18th, 1950. [p. 421]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the War Memorial Committee

1. The form of Service Paper was approved.
2. It was reported that Admiral of the Fleet the Rt. Hon. Viscount Cunningham of Hyndehope will unveil the Memorial on the 17th May at 4.30 p.m.
3. A service to be held in the Great Hall at 4.30 p.m. followed by a procession to the War Memorial.
4. It was ordered that letters of invitation for the unveiling be sent to the relatives of the fallen and that notices be circulated to the heads of all Barristers Chambers in Lincoln's Inn.¹ [p. 423]

Received the Treasurer's statement as to Grand Night, Guest Night, and Ladies Night, and it was resolved that Grand Day be fixed for 15th June (or failing it 13th) and a Guest Night (for Benchers only) on Monday 22nd May, the charge to be 25/- per head for each Bencher and each Guest, and that no Champagne be served. A Ladies Night to be held in October but the details to be arranged later.

¹ The unveiling duly took place, and was reported to Council on June 6th.

"The Treasurer reported on the position as to the awning belonging to the Society, and it was ordered that the work necessary for its repair should be carried out." [p. 424]

"Upon considering a letter from Professor Hollond¹ with reference to the Maitland Centenary Resolved that Professor Hollond's offer to give a lecture be accepted with gratitude subject to suitable arrangements being made as to date, time and publicity."¹ [p. 424]

"Ordered that the question as to whether Honorary Benchers should serve on Committees be adjourned for further consideration." [p. 424]

Council held on May 15th, 1950. [p. 425]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Received the Treasurer's report with reference to the Chapel Services:
Ordered

- (a) That it be referred to the Chapel Committee to consider the question of reducing the number of services
- (b) That the Preacher² be invited to accept renewal of his appointment for another three years. [p. 427]

Council held on June 6th, 1950. [p. 429]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

The Treasurer moved the following Resolutions:

1. That the Standing Orders be suspended to such an extent as may be necessary to enable the following resolution to be passed.
2. That the Hon. Mr. Justice Collingwood be forthwith elected a Bencher of this Society in anticipation of the next vacancy which, when it occurs, shall be deemed to have been filled thereby.

Upon both resolutions being passed it was ordered that Charles Arthur Collingwood, a Justice of the High Court, be invited to the Bench.³ [pp. 429, 430]

Read the Treasurer's report upon two gifts which had been made to the Society and It was Ordered

- (a) To approve the letter from the Treasurer accepting with gratitude the offer of Thomas Southall, Esq., to present to the Inn the "Whiskey Thimble" which was owned by the late Mr. Justice Rigby Swift.

¹ Maitland was born on May 28th, 1850 and died on December 6th, 1906. Professor H.A. Hollond (1884-1974), Hon. Bencher 1935, had heard Maitland lecture. Hollond's lecture was delivered in the Hall of Lincoln's Inn on March 18th, 1953 and published by the Selden Society in that year as the Society's Annual Lecture. See *post*, p. 577.

² Prebendary Cheshire. He accepted the appointment, commencing on June 24th.

³ On June 6th Judge Collingwood had been promoted from the County Court Bench to the High Court.

(b) That great satisfaction be expressed at Professor Goodhart's gift of ten dozen Port consisting of Taylor 1927 and Warre 1924. In accordance with custom, Professor Goodhart would not be thanked for his gift as he is a Master of the Bench.¹ [pp. 430, 431]

Read the report of the Treasurer of a meeting of the Four Treasurers, and it was Ordered that an addition of £20 be made to the Admission Fee if the other Inns are prepared to do the same. The question of the resumption of dining terms was referred to a sub-committee consisting of the Treasurer and the Vice Chairmen of the Finance, Buildings, Wine and Kitchen Committees. [p. 431]

Council held on June 26th, 1950. [p. 435]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported the gift by John Herbert Stamp, Esq., Treasurer for 1949, of two electric chandeliers for the Drawing Room, and it was Ordered that the gift be accepted with very great pleasure." [p. 436]

Approved in substance the report of the sub-committee appointed to consider the question of the full resumption of dining terms, as follows:

The sub-committee recommend

1. That full dining terms be resumed in Michaelmas Term 1950.
2. That the charges to be made for dinners be as follows.
 - (a) Students fee for each term. Two guineas (to include 3 or 6 dinners as the case may be).
 - (b) Benchers dinners 17/6 for each dinner.
 - (c) Barristers dinners 12/6 for each dinner.
3. That in the event of full dining terms being resumed, it be referred to the Finance Committee to consider the question of payments to the Permanent Staff and to give authority to the Under Treasurer to engage such casual staff as he may deem necessary. [p. 436]

"Upon considering an addition to the War Memorial It was Ordered That it be referred to the War Memorial Committee to consider the matter with liberty to act or to report to the Council as they think fit." [p. 437]

Adjourned Council held on July 27th, 1950. [p. 439]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

"Resolved that the fees payable by Students on Admission to this Inn be increased by £20 as from the 1st October 1950." [p. 440]

Adopted the report of the committee appointed to consider the resumption of Dining Terms subject to amendment of item [1(b)].

¹ This custom does not appear to have been firmly established: see, *e.g. post*, p. 692.

1. As to the resumption of Dining Terms Recommend

(a) Dining rotas as of old (i.e. no rota of Benchers on the first and last days of term or Guest Nights. On other nights a rota of three Benchers, excepting Call Night when there is to be a rota of six Benchers).

(b) (as amended) That there be two guest nights per term, the numbers to be limited (Benchers and guests) to say 36 either by ballot or according to seniority or in such other manner as may be decided. A similar limit for the Bar. On Sunday nights, Benchers and guests to be similarly limited to 12.

2. Recommend the purchase of 75 students gowns at £3.2.6. per gown.

3. Approve generally the Under Treasurer's suggestions with reference to the payments of staff and hours of duty during the dining terms. [*pp.* 440, 441]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee except that the further recommendation in item 1 was referred back to the Finance Committee for further consideration with a request that they bring the matter back to the Council with a recommendation in December 1950.

1. Recommend that the Treasurer's accounts for the year ended 10th January 1950 be received and adopted. It was further recommended that in view of the continuing loss on the kitchen account, this year amounting £3,756, a general increase of food charges by 50% as a minimum.

2. Upon considering the engagement of an additional clerk in the Under Treasurer's office Recommend the appointment of a young man who has completed his training with the Armed Forces; commencing salary between £250 and £300 per annum. The appointment to begin as from 1st October next.

3. Approved the recommendation of the Buildings Committee for providing additional accommodation for the Treasury Office staff at an estimated cost of £130.

4. Upon considering an application from the Society of Comparative Legislation; Recommend a donation of £20 for 1950... [*p.* 442]

"Adopted the report of the Buildings Committee as to the bees-waxing of the panelling and it was referred to the Treasurer to select the colour for the paint of the walls and ceiling of the Drawing Room." [*p.* 443]

Adopted the report of the Discipline Committee which included the following

"Ordered that a communication from P.A. Marrinan be mentioned to the Council with a recommendation that Mr. Marrinan's case, having been already fully investigated, and he having been heard before the Committee on one occasion, the Council adhere to their previous decision that he be not further heard." [*p.* 443]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Linton Theodore Thorp, K.C., a Bencher of this Honourable Society.

MEM. This vacancy was deemed to have been filled by the election of Mr. Justice Collingwood. [p. 444]

"Upon considering the question of electing new Benchers in October notwithstanding the Order of Council of 18th May 1936 Ordered that the whole question of the Benchers and their numbers be referred to a committee consisting of any ex-Treasurer who is willing to serve, the present officers and Wilfrid Fabian Waite Esq." [p. 444]

"Received the Treasurer's report of the gift by Thomas Southall, Esq. of the late Mr. Justice Swift's Whisky Thimble and Ordered that the appreciation of the Masters of the Bench be recorded in the Black Book." [p. 445]

Adjourned Council held on October 2nd, 1950. [p. 446]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

"Read the summary of minutes of the Adjourned Council of 27th July 1950. Arising out of the minutes the following suggestions by the Treasurer were approved.

(a) That in the event of the number of guests proposed to be asked to the Bench or Bar Table exceeding the number laid down i.e. 18, the matter will be left to the discretion of the Treasurer.

(b) The cost for each Bencher and each guest at the Bench Table to be 25/- per head, the cost of Barristers dinners to remain at 12/6, but the cost of a guest at the Bar Table to be £1.1.0." [p. 446]

"Adopted the Treasurer's report as to the alterations and redecorations carried out during the Long Vacation in respect of the War Memorial, Drawing Room and the Under Treasurer's Office." [p. 448]

Council held on November 2nd, 1950. [p. 450]

Thirty Benchers present.

Officers for 1951: [p. 452]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Simonds

Master of the Library: Sir Henry Tindal Methold

Dean of the Chapel: Cecil Willie Turner

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Cohen

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

Recommended the purchase of kitchen equipment amounting to £457.0.0.

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the engagement of Mr. Colin John Walker as Third Clerk in his office at a salary of £250 per annum as from 16th October 1950. [p. 451]

The Treasurer reported on the following matters and the appropriate Orders were made accordingly

(a) Parking of Cars. Stand over for review of form of licence, the matter to be referred to the Buildings Committee

(b) Chapel services. A general discussion on this matter took place. The Treasurer mentioned that he had been invited by the Preacher to give an address on the last Sunday in the Term. Before agreeing to do so, the Treasurer invited the comments of the Benchers on this matter. (The Treasurer has since stated that he is unwilling to proceed further in the matter).

(c) As to an offer of a bronze statue: Ordered that the offer be not accepted.

(d) As to dinners without wine at the Bar Table: Ordered that the matter be referred to a Joint Committee Meeting of the Wine and Kitchen Committees. [p. 453]

"The Treasurer referred to a communication which he had received from the Master of the Rolls with reference to the use of the Old Hall for about a fortnight in May or June of next year for an exhibition of Historical Manuscripts or other treasures in connection with the Festival of Britain. The matter was ordered to stand over for further detailed statements of what was required." [p. 454]

Council held on November 24th, 1950. [p. 457]

Nineteen Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Norman Roy Fox-Andrews K.C. [pp. 447, 458]

Adopted the motion of Mr. Justice Harman concerning the rules of procedure in disciplinary cases submitted by the Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Macnaghten K.B.E. which read as follows.

That the Rules of Procedure in cases of complaint of misconduct against a member of this Society which were approved by the Bench in March 1930 be rescinded and that in lieu thereof shall be provided as follows

1. The Council shall in every year appoint a Discipline Committee consisting of the Treasurer and not less than six other Masters of the Bench. Three members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum.

2. In all cases of alleged misconduct on the part of a member of the Society it shall be the duty of the Committee to submit to the Council as soon as is practicable a statement of the relevant information which has come to their knowledge and also their opinion as to the action (if any) which should be taken by the Council thereon. [pp. 458, 459]

"Accepted in principle the report of the Special Committee concerning the election of Benchers. Resolved that the necessary alterations to be made in the Standing Orders be drafted and brought before the Council at a later date." [p. 459]

"Received with thanks a gift of £429.4.4 from the Canadian Bar Association as a contribution to war damage in Lincoln's Inn." [p. 460]

Adjourned Council held on December 19th, 1950. [p. 464]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Read the summary of minutes of Council of the 24th November 1950. Arising out of these minutes it was agreed that all Benchers as well as Barristers and Students should stand up when a new Bencher is published." [p. 464]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee

Upon considering the Surveyor's report on the re-glazing of the Hall and Library with stained glass, the Committee recommend the approval of the type of glass to be used. They also recommend no additional heraldic glass and that there be no variation in design, but the Surveyor was requested for samples of the colours of glass. It is also recommended that the decision on the tone of glass be deferred until specimen windows be placed in the Library.

Upon considering letters from members and tenants upon whom notices had been served informing them that they must not park their cars at night in contravention of the terms of their licences, it was recommended that residents and tenants be allowed to park during day time and residents only at night and that the form of licence and charges therefor be referred back to this Committee. [p. 465]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon considering the report of the Buildings Committee which recommended that every new tenancy granted, other than to members of the Society, shall after consultation with the Surveyor, be subject to an increase of 10% to 15% over the 1947 valuation, the [Finance] Committee approved the above report subject to the omission of the words "other than to members of the Society" [p. 466]

"The Treasurer reported that a communication had been received from the solicitors to the late Lord Hailsham with reference to the substitution of the legacy of £200 for a piece of plate by the gift of a piece of plate in possession of Lord Hailsham's family." [p. 469]

Treasurer: Mr Justice Vaisey

The following Benchers died during the year

1. July 8 Linton Theodore Thorp, K.C.
2. August 18 Viscount Hailsham
3. November 27 David Bowen, K.C.
4. December 17 Lewis Noad, K.C.

Biographical notes

1. Thorp. b.1884. British Judge in Egypt and Constantinople 1919-1924. M.P. Nelson and Colne (C) 1931-1935. Practised South Eastern Circuit.
3. Bowen. b.1885. Expert on Mining Law.

4. Noad. b.1865. Master Mariner. Went to sea aged 13. Practised at Admiralty and Commercial Bar.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Mr Justice Collingwood
2. Norman Roy Fox-Andrews, K.C.
3. Raymond Winter Jennings, K.C.
4. Joseph Alexander Wolfe

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Council held on January 11th, 1951. [p. 470]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Council held on January 31st, 1951. [p. 475]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Read the report of the Discipline Committee which included the following

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2. Upon considering the question of an appeal to the Judges by Mr. P.A. Marrinan. Recommend that the preliminary plea to the jurisdiction in regard to the Admission of a student be taken in a separate letter to the Lord Chancellor Subject thereto, the draft of the answer to Mr. Marrinan's petition, as amended, approved.

It was Resolved that the preliminary plea be not taken, but that the Judges attention be called to the facts including the decision in Barnwell and Cresswell, the Judges to be informed that so far as is necessary, the Council of this Society assent to their jurisdiction in the matter under appeal. It was further Ordered that the Memorandum prepared by J.B. Lindon, Esq., O.B.E., K.C. be entered into the Black Books. [pp. 476, 477; the Memo is in Appendix 6]

"Refused an application from the Shakespeare Stage Society for the use of the Old Hall for a production of *Macbeth* from the 7th to 19th May." [p. 481]

Adjourned Council held on February 28th, 1951. [p. 482]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Joseph Alexander Wolfe. [pp. 471, 481, 485]

As to an invitation to the Bench from the Inner Bar consequent upon the death of David Bowen, Esq., K.C. Ordered that the proposal of the name of Louis Halle Gluckstein Esq., K.C. having been withdrawn by the proposers, the matter be postponed until the next meeting of the Council. [p. 485]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee:

Upon considering the question of decorations and repairs to the Council Room, the Committee recommend that the ceiling be plain polished and that the work be carried out during the Long Vacation. [p. 484]

Council held on April 3rd, 1951. [p. 486]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 469, 471, 481, 485, 491]

Raymond Winter Jennings, K.C.

Read the report of the Hon. Denys Buckley concerning the appeal to His Majesty's Judges of Patrick Aloysius Marrinan, from which the following extracts are taken. Mr. Marrinan appeared in person. Mr. Buckley appeared for the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn.

"The Tribunal consisted of Barnard, Devlin, Lloyd-Jacob and McNair JJ. . . . The hearing lasted about an hour and a quarter after which the parties withdrew for about a quarter of an hour, being called in to be told the decision of the tribunal.

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"The tribunal gave no reasons for their decision which was to the following effect. 'While we fully accept that the discretion of the Benchers of an Inn of Court should not normally be interfered with, we feel that the present case has very unusual features and that the appeal should be allowed.'

"From the comments made by members of the tribunal during the argument, I think that their feeling was that the final decision of the Bench not to re-admit Marrinan until he had been Called to the Bar of Northern Ireland for three years was an illusory and somewhat cynical concession to Marrinan, because it would be virtually impracticable for him to comply with the condition, that this decision amounted in fact to a refusal to re-admit him; and that such decision was inconsistent with the letters from Lincoln's Inn to the Inn of Court of Northern Ireland in December 1949 in which we stated that we had decided to postpone consideration of the matter until a decision had been reached in Northern Ireland as to whether Marrinan should be regarded as fit to be a Member of the Bar of Northern Ireland. I had, of course, pointed out that in that letter Lincoln's Inn had not committed themselves to any particular course of action if Marrinan were re-admitted in Northern Ireland, but I think that the tribunal took the view that we intended to give some weight to whatever the decision in Northern Ireland might be and that the subsequent substantial flat refusal to re-admit Marrinan was inconsistent with this." [pp. 487-490]

"It was thereupon Ordered that Mr. Marrinan be re-instated as a Student subject to his paying the usual deposit if it has been returned to him." [p. 491]

Council held on April 30th, 1951. [p. 495]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Upon the motion of Mr. Justice Vaisey that the Treasurer be requested to invite the new Solicitor General to the Bench under the new Standing Order No. 8, Ordered that Arwyn Lynn Ungood Thomas K.C. be invited to the Bench. [p. 498]

"Read a communication from the Inner Temple that the Standing Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court be requested to give some definition of trade under Consolidated Regulation 3 so as to indicate what form of trade in their opinion is compatible or incompatible with the position of a Student of an Inn of Court seeking Call to the Bar." [p. 496]

"Ordered that the report of the Buildings Committee stand over until the next Council meeting to enable the Committee's report on the subject of car parking to be circulated forthwith." [p. 496]

"Upon reading a communication from the General Council of the Bar asking whether it is open to a member of Lincoln's Inn who has to appear before the Benchers to be represented by counsel who has not been instructed by a solicitor Ordered that a reply be sent to the effect that there is no precedent of counsel who has not been instructed by a solicitor representing a member of the Inn." [p. 497]

Ordered that the new Standing Orders be approved as amended. See pages 581 to 586 of this Black Book. [p. 497]

Council held on May 22nd, 1951. [p. 499]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Ordered that the following report of the Buildings Committee on the question of parking cars within the Inn be adopted. Should any difficulty arise in any particular case, the Head Porter is to report it to the Under Treasurer who will take the instructions of the Treasurer if necessary.

REPORT OF THE BUILDINGS SUB-COMMITTEE APPOINTED TO CONSIDER THE PARKING OF CARS WITHIN THE INN

The sub-committee recommend that there should be two categories of parking under licence.

1. Day Parking, i.e. between the hours of 9 a.m. & 7 p.m. only.
2. Day and night, or unrestricted parking.

Day Parking

They recommend that day parking should be confined to Benchers, tenants of the Inn and freeholders in occupation of their chambers in New Square, but that the expression "tenant of the Inn" should include all barristers (whether members of the Inn or not) and solicitors having chambers within the Inn. The sub-committee recommend the following charges for day parking licences

- (a) for Benchers, Members of the Inn and Freeholders: £5 per annum or £2 per quarter.
- (b) for others: £8 per annum or £3 per quarter.

Day and Night Parking

The sub-committee recommend that day and night parking should be confined to Benchers and residents in the Inn and that Benchers and

resident members of the Inn should be entitled to a day and night or residents licence without additional charge, but that residents who are not members should be charged £15 p.a. for such a licence. [pp. 500, 501]

Ordered that the offer by the Corporation of London to present to the Inn the following portraits of Judges who assessed the property claims in the City of London after the Great Fire, namely, Sir Robert Atkyns¹, Sir Samuel Browne and Sir Wadham Wyndham, be accepted and that the Treasurer be requested to write a letter accordingly.² [pp. 501, 502]

Council held on June 11th, 1951. [p. 503]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Adopted the following memorandum of the Council of Legal Education concerning the proposed amendments to Consolidated Regulations 19 and 40 and alterations of dates and length.

1. The amendment of the Consolidated Regulations which fix the date of Call Day and the related date for the publication of examination results has for some years been under consideration by the Council of Legal Education which as the number of students has increased has suffered increasing inconvenience from these regulations, an inconvenience shared in a lesser degree by students and by the officials of the Inns.
2. The Council having approved certain proposals intended to obviate this inconvenience, brought them informally to the notice of the Under Treasurers of the Four Inns.
3. The Under Treasurers were unanimous in giving general approval to the Council's proposals and they also put forward certain further proposals dealing with the dates and length of the dining terms. These proposals in which the Council concurs are summarized in the following paragraphs.
4. Experience shows that with the present very large number of students a term of 21 days (i.e. Hilary and Trinity) scarcely gives enough time for the Inns to fit in the requisite number of dinners, while on the other hand a term of 28 days (i.e. Easter) is longer than is necessary and is uneconomical. Further, as Michaelmas and Hilary Terms start on dates which may fall on any day of the week, Call Day, which by C.R.40 is fixed for the 16th day of the term, may also fall on any day of the week (Saturday and Sunday are expressly excluded by C.R.40.)
5. The following suggestions for overcoming these difficulties are recommended:—
 - (a) all four dining terms should be 23 days in length
 - (b) they all should start on the following dates

¹ Sir Edward Atkyns. Wrongly labelled Sir Robert.

² Two further portraits, of Sir Matthew Hale and Sir Robert Rainsford, were acquired in 1999. See Appendix 7 for the role of the Fire Judges.

Michaelmas: the first Wednesday in November

Hilary: the third Wednesday in January

Easter: on the first Wednesday after Low Sunday

Trinity: on the first Wednesday after Trinity Sunday

(c) Call day should be fixed for the 21st day of Term, viz. a Tuesday

(d) Publication of examination results should take place on or before the 7th day of Term, viz. a Tuesday.

[6 & 7. Alterations to the Consolidated Regulations required to give effect to the suggestions.]

8. It is claimed for these proposals that they would introduce simplicity, uniformity and certainty where at present there is complexity, diversity and uncertainty and would thus be of advantage both to the students and to the officials of the Inns and incidentally through the shortening of Easter Term would enable a slight saving of overhead expenses on dinners. [pp. 504-506]

Read communications from the Inner Temple, the Middle Temple and Gray's Inn adopting the above recommendations of the Council of Legal Education. [p. 506]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee

Upon considering the question of stained glass to be installed in the Hall and Library Buildings, recommended

(a) That heraldic glass be installed in the east and west windows of the Library

(b) That glass as installed in bays of the Library be approved and that there should be a border of red and blue in alternate bays.

(c) That the lower lights of the side windows in the Hall be plain glass as approved.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

The Committee recommends as follows

1. That Holland, Hannen and Cubitts be employed on the same terms as before for the rebuilding and redecoration of Nos. 5, 6 and 7 Stone Buildings and that a contract be entered into for the sum of £63,400.

2. That the work on Nos. 22 and 21 Old Buildings be carried out in accordance with the terms of Mr. Clapham's report dated 21st May 1951. The estimated cost for the repair of No. 22 Old Buildings is £8,500 exclusive of fees, but no estimate has yet been made of the cost with reference to No. 21 Old Buildings.

Messrs. Powells to prepare suitable small designs.

3. That the Admission Fees of Mr. Thomas Fleming, a student of this Society, be refunded to him on his leaving the Society, Mr. Fleming being obliged to give up his studies for Call to the Bar on account of ill-health occasioned by War wounds... [pp. 507, 508]

Adjourned Council held on July 26th, 1951. [p. 512]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"Ordered that Lincoln's Inn contribute £50 towards the cost of a gift to the Australian Law Council." [p. 513]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

- (a) [Treasurer's accounts]
- (b) [Negotiations with the Society's bankers for a possible overdraft]
- (c) Adopted the recommendations of the Buildings Committee as follows
 - (1) Acceptance of Messrs. Hannaford's estimate amounting to £2016 for redecoration of Old Buildings, Chancery Lane frontage
 - (2) That the work on the east side of the Old Gateway be carried out at the same time at an approximate cost of £200.
- (d) Upon receiving the report of the Garden Committee asking for authority to spend up to £250 on the New Square Garden, recommend that the Garden Committee be authorised to spend up to £150 on New Square Garden subject to obtaining the appropriate advice as to soil etc.
- (e) [£67.10 arrears of rent written off.]
- (f) Upon considering the question of the retirement of Mr. T. Hodgkinson, the Society's Librarian, recommend that a pension of £450 be paid to Mr. Hodgkinson during the joint lives of himself and his sister and £600 after her death in the event of him surviving her and that a pension of £150 p.a. be paid to her during her life.
- (g) Upon considering the Library Committee's recommendation of the appointment of a Librarian on the retirement of Mr. Hodgkinson, recommend that Mr. C.W. Ringrose be appointed Librarian at a salary to be agreed.
- (h) It was further agreed to give Mr. Hodgkinson a present up to the value of £15 in recognition of 50 years service. The choice of the present to be left to the Master of the Library.

It was further Ordered that in future a notice be sent to all Benchers as soon as the Finance Committee has considered the accounts that they can be inspected at the Treasury Office. [pp. 516, 517]

Adjourned Council held on October 1st, 1951 [p. 519]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Ordered that consideration of the following recommendation from the Council of Legal Education dated 27th July 1951 be deferred until the next Council meeting. In the meantime the Treasurer will try to arrange a meeting of the four Treasurers.

"In view of the fact that the Council of Legal Education provide Tutorial Classes in which students and members of the Bar recently called can obtain instruction in the practical work of the profession and in view of the danger that students and barristers from overseas may be taken as pupils of barristers with little or no practice, the Council . . .

(2) Recommend that the four Inns should lay down the principle that it is not in accordance with professional etiquette that a barrister should take into his Chambers any pupil who is not domiciled in the United Kingdom, unless such barrister has previously obtained the consent of the Benchers of his Inn to his taking such pupil." [p. 520]

"Read without any opinion being expressed thereon by the Council a communication from the General Council of the Bar concerning a set of rules on the prohibition of advertisement." [p. 520]

Upon considering the Under Treasurer's report that the sum of £200 had been received from the executors of the late Viscount Hailsham bequeathed to the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn for the purchase of a piece of silver plate as a gift to Lincoln's Inn in memory of his long and happy association with Lincoln's Inn: Ordered that the Treasurer, Wilfrid F. Waite, Arthur Cole and Mr. Justice Cohen be appointed to arrange for this purchase. [pp. 520, 521]

Council held on November 7th, 1951. [p. 522]

Thirty Benchers present.

Upon further consideration of the recommendation of the Council of Legal Education dated 27th July 1951 concerning the arrangements to be made for students from overseas to Read in Chambers in this country, it was Ordered that the following alternative Resolution be passed:

"That for the protection of students from overseas, any such student required or wishing to read in Chambers as a pupil in this country must, before entering Chambers or paying any pupil's fee, submit the name of the barrister with whom he proposes to read to the Under Treasurer or Sub Treasurer of his, the Student's Inn and must not enter any Chambers without first doing so. Any student contravening this rule will be liable to disciplinary action by his Benchers and no barrister should accept any such student as a pupil without first satisfying himself that such student has given the required notification." [p. 523]

Adopted the report of the Garden Committee which read as follows:

Upon considering the question of the New Square gardens Recommend that the four flower beds on the east and west sides of New Square garden be done away with and that no new flower beds be made for the present. The question whether the flower beds at the corners should be enlarged or moved towards the centre is reserved. [p. 523]

"Ordered that the question of periodicals supplied to the Barristers Common Room and the Benchers Rooms be referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 524]

Council held on November 29th, 1951. [p. 527]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Officers for 1952: [p. 530]

Treasurer: Sir Henry Tindal Methold

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton

Dean of the Chapel: Cecil Willie Turner
 Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Cohen
 Master of the Walks: William Cleveland-Stevens, K.C.

Read a summary of Minutes of the Council of the 7th November 1951. Arising out of these minutes it was Ordered that Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.B.E., K.C. and Mr. Justice Vaisey have power to act in the matter of supply of periodicals to the Benchers Rooms and Barristers Common Room. [*p.* 527]

Read communications from the other Inns responding to the recommendation of the Council of Legal Education concerning reading in chambers by overseas students. They can be summarised as follows:

Gray's Inn: same alternative resolution as Lincoln's Inn

Inner Temple: resolution recommended by C.L.E.

Middle Temple: ascertain view, if any, of the General Council of the Bar before deciding. [*pp.* 528–530]

“Received the Under Treasurer's report that a Georgian Coffee Urn and Milk Jug had been obtained with the legacy bequeathed to the Society by the late Lord Hailsham.” [*p.* 532]

Adjourned Council held on December 17th, 1951. [*p.* 533]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Read a communication from the Middle Temple relating to reading in chambers by overseas students which reported the adoption of the resolution recommended by the Council of Legal Education. [*p.* 534]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee to which was added a resolution by the Council that the Pictures Committee is to suggest names of artists to the Treasurer and discuss the choice with him.

Upon considering a motion by Mr. Justice Vaisey as to a portrait for the Inn of the Treasurer as Lord Chancellor,¹ it was recommended that the Treasurer be invited to name the artist he would prefer.

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Upon considering the present laundry system it was recommended that the Under Treasurer be authorised to enter into a six months contract for laundry to be done by Messrs. M. and K. Macdonald and that he be instructed to make such consequential arrangements with regard to the staff and the purchase of additional linen as required ... [*pp.* 535, 536]

Adopted the following report of the Garden Committee

Upon considering the question of labour in the Garden it is recommended that authority be given to engage a new Head Gardener at a wage not exceeding £8 per week. If this be sanctioned and the Head Gardener found, this will involve giving notice to at least one of the existing staff. [*p.* 536]

¹ The Treasurer, Lord Simonds, had become Lord Chancellor on October 30th, 1951.

Approved the report presented verbally by Sir Herbert Cunliffe and Mr. Justice Vaisey on the supply of periodicals to the Barristers Common Room and ordered that the proposal contained in a letter by Mr. J.A. Brightman, Chairman of the Bar Liaison Committee, to Mr. Justice Vaisey be accepted. [p. 536]

After the Council Meeting the Benchers had their customary dinner in Hall to which they invited Mr. T. Hodgkinson, Librarian to the Society, whose retirement was to take place at Christmas. Following dinner, the Benchers adjourned to the Drawing Room for dessert. After the toast of "The King", the Treasurer presented to Mr. Hodgkinson a gold watch in recognition of his fifty years service in the Library of Lincoln's Inn. [p. 537]

Treasurer: Lord Simonds

No Bencher died during this year.

Sir Lynn Ungood Thomas, K.C. was elected on appointment as Solicitor General.

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Council held on January 16th, 1952. [p. 538]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Read the summary of minutes of the Adjourned Council of the 17th December 1951. Arising out of these minutes it was Ordered that the question of all the four Inns of Court agreeing to a resolution as to students from overseas reading in chambers be referred to Lord Morton of Henryton,¹ Master of the Library [p. 538]

The Treasurer, Sir Henry Methold, died on January 29th

H.M. King George VI died on February 6th

Council held on February 7th, 1952. [p. 541]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

The Benchers stood in silence in respect to the memory of His Majesty King George VI.

The telegrams of condolence sent to H.M. Queen Mary and H.M. the Queen Mother were reported. [pp. 541, 542]

It was resolved that the question of a Memorial Service for His Late Majesty be left to the new Treasurer when elected [p. 542]

¹ Lord Morton of Henryton was Chairman of the Council of Legal Education; see *post*, p. 571.

Ordered that notwithstanding anything in the Standing Orders, Cecil Willie Turner, Esq. be elected Treasurer for the current year.

Upon considering the change in the Officers of the Society consequent upon the death of the Treasurer Ordered that

Lord Morton of Henryton remain Master of the Library
William Cleveland-Stevens Q.C. to be Dean of the Chapel
Lord Cohen remain Keeper of the Black Book, and
His Honour Judge Daynes Q.C. be Master of the Walks

Adopted the following report of the Students Committee

Upon considering a reference from Council concerning the report of the Council of Legal Education with regard to Post Final Practical Courses, the Committee see no objection to this Inn approving the proposals of the Council of Legal Education. [*p.* 543]

Read a communication from Gray's Inn of an order that the application of Mr. Sproule Bolton to be allowed to take out a certificate to practise under the Bar be not granted. [*pp.* 543, 544]

Read the following report of the Joint Finance and Buildings Committee on the re-organisation of the Society's Kitchen.

Upon considering the Surveyor's report on the re-organisation of the Kitchen, the Committee recommend that Mr. Clapham's scheme be approved and vermin exterminators be consulted, and that the purchase of the equipment as mentioned in the scheme be also approved.

The Under Treasurer was instructed to prepare a budget of expenditure for the ensuing year with a view to the provision of a sinking fund for expenditure now in contemplation by the Society. [*p.* 545]

Read the following report of the Pictures Committee:

Upon considering the question of an artist for a portrait of the Lord Chancellor the committee considered that we shall be able to obtain a three quarter length portrait in robes from an established painter of reasonable eminence for about five hundred guineas. Such painters would include the following names

Harold Knight R.A.
W.O. Hutchison P.R.S.A.
Edward Halliday R.B.A.
Peter Greenham A.R.A.
Edward le Bas A.R.A.

To obtain such a portrait from the President of the Royal Academy we could not possibly offer less than one thousand guineas. This sum is considerably less than he would normally receive, and if he accepted it, it would only be as a concession to the distinction of the sitter and the state of the Inn's finances.

It was thereupon Ordered

- (a) That the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to fixing a limit to the fee to be paid.
- (b) That the Pictures Committee do subsequently make a decision within the limit fixed by the Finance Committee after consulting the Lord Chancellor and do act without further reference to the Council. [pp. 545, 546]

Read the following report of the Library committee

Upon consideration of the appointment of a Junior Assistant in the Library, the Committee unanimously recommend that another assistant is required and the Librarian is of opinion that a suitable person can be obtained who will be trained at a salary not exceeding £300 p.a.

which was approved subject to confirmation by the Finance Committee. [p. 546]

Adjourned Council held on March 18th, 1952. [p. 548]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Louis Halle Gluckstein, K.C. [pp. 542, 550, 551]

Cyril Montgomery White, K.C. [pp. 544, 551]

Philip James Sykes [pp. 544, 551, 552]

John Francis Bowyer [pp. 550, 552]

The Treasurer reported that he had received telegrams from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, and from Her Majesty Queen Mary in reply to telegrams of condolence sent by him on behalf of the Society. [pp. 548, 549]

"The Treasurer reported that a Memorial Service to His late Majesty King George VI was held in the Chapel of Lincoln's Inn on 15th February 1952." [p. 549]

The Treasurer reported that a Loyal Address had been sent to H.M. Queen Elizabeth II. [p. 549]

Read the summary of minutes of Council of 7th February 1952. Arising out of those minutes the Treasurer reported that a generous Bencher had arranged to have the Lord Chancellor's portrait painted by Sir Gerald Kelly P.R.A. [p. 550]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Professor Donnedieu de Vabres, an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society. It was Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to write an appropriate letter to the relatives." [p. 552]

Upon the motion of the Treasurer, Ordered that the Standing Orders be suspended to enable the following election of an Honorary Bencher to be proceeded with. It was thereupon Ordered that the Treasurer be authorised to invite the Hon. Dean Acheson, Secretary of State of the United States of America to become an Honorary Bencher of this Society. [p. 553]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Norman Yorke Marriott late Under Treasurer and Pensioner of this Society. It was Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to send a letter of condolence." [p. 553]

"Resolved that the Rev. Prebendary Eley, Vicar of Kensington, be appointed Warburton Lecturer. It was further Resolved that any future appointments of Warburton Lecturers are to be considered first by the Chapel Committee." [pp. 564, 565]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report that the following portraits have been received from the Corporation of London: Sir Robert Atkyns, Sir Samuel Brown, Sir Wadham Wyndham. It was thereupon Ordered that a letter of thanks be sent to the appropriate official."¹ [p. 555]

Read the following report of the Buildings Committee.

It was reported by the Under Treasurer that he had received notices under the Town and Country Planning Act 1947 stating that the Great Hall, Old Hall, Chapel, Stone Buildings and New Square were scheduled as being of special architectural or historical interest. [p. 556]

Adopted the following report of the Library Committee.

Resolved that no person who is not a member of this Honourable Society be admitted to use its Library, but this is not to prevent any member of the Library Committee from granting permission for temporary use of the Library in special circumstances and that the other Inns be asked to screen this resolution in their Libraries. [p. 556]

Adopted the following report of the Pictures Committee

Recommend to Council that the following Arms be placed in the Hall at the expense of the Society: J.H. Stamp, Esq.; the Lord Chancellor (Lord Simonds); Sir Henry T. Methold (deceased); and C.W. Turner, Esq. [p. 557]

"Ordered that an application from the B.B.C. to broadcast a short item from the Chapel during June 1952 be referred to the Treasurer with leave to take such action as he thinks fit." [p. 557]

Council held on April 23rd, 1952. [p. 558]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

The Treasurer reported that he had received from the Home Secretary [Rt. Hon. David Maxwell Fyfe, Q.C., M.P.] a reply to the loyal address which was sent to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II. [p. 558]

"Read the Treasurer's report of the acceptance by the Hon. Dean Acheson of the invitation to become an Honorary Benchers of this Society which was received with satisfaction." [pp. 561, 562]

Upon reading the Treasurer's report of the meeting of the Treasurers of the four Inns of Court and the Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton concerning the

¹ See *ante*, p. 560.

Council of Legal Education's recommendation regarding reading in chambers by overseas students

Ordered that the Council of Legal Education's recommendation of the 25th February 1952 relating to reading in chambers by overseas students be received and accepted.

It was further Ordered that in the event of its adoption by the Four Inns of Court the method by which the rules contained in this recommendation be communicated to both Barristers and Students be referred to the Council of Legal Education for consideration and report.

The following is the recommendation above referred to:

In view of the fact that the Council of Legal Education provide Tutorial Classes in which students and members of the Bar recently Called can obtain instruction in the practical work of the profession, and in view of the danger that Students and Barristers from overseas may be taken as pupils of Barristers with little or no practice, the Council recommend that

1. No Barrister shall receive as a pupil or accept a fee from any student or barrister not domiciled in the United Kingdom without satisfying himself

(a) that the pupil has informed the Treasury of the pupil's Inn that the barrister is willing to accept him as a pupil; and

(b) that the Benchers of his (the pupil master's) own Inn do not dissent from such acceptance, and

2. No student or barrister not domiciled in the United Kingdom shall enter any chambers as a pupil or pay any fee until he has informed the Treasury of his Inn of the name of the barrister who is willing to accept him as a pupil. Failure to observe either of these rules will be a matter for disciplinary action. [pp. 562, 563]

"Granted the application of Mr. David Loshak of Michigan State College, U.S.A. to photograph the Watts Fresco in the Hall upon the terms suggested in his letter." [p. 564]

"Received with regret the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Frank William Corn, late Chief Clerk and a pensioner of this Honourable Society." [p. 564]

The Treasurer reported that he had received from the Law Council of Australia and its constituent bodies a message of goodwill and an expression of thanks for the gift which had been made to the Law Council of Australia on the occasion of that Council's Jubilee celebrations. It was Ordered that the message be recorded in the Black Books and preserved in the Society's archives. The message was as follows.

The Law Council of Australia, its constituent bodies, The Bar Association of New South Wales; The Law Institute of New South Wales; The

Committee of Counsel of Victoria; The Law Institute of Victoria; The Bar Association of Queensland; The Queensland Law Society; The Law Society of South Australia; The Law Society of Western Australia; The Southern Law Society, Tasmania; The Northern Law Society, Tasmania, and the individual members of the constituent bodies

Send Greetings and a message of most cordial goodwill to The Bench, Bar and Solicitors of England upon the occasion of the Convention of this Council held at Sydney as part of the celebrations of the Foundation of the Commonwealth of Australia and Express their gratitude and appreciation for the tangible and beautiful expression of friendship and goodwill from the Bench, Bar and Solicitors of England in the form of The Loving Cup presented to The Law Council by the hands of the Lord High Chancellor of Great Britain at the Convention Dinner on the sixteenth day of August 1951. [pp. 564, 565]

Council held on May 15th, 1952. [p. 567]

Nineteen Benchers present.

"Read a communication from Gray's Inn of an Order adopting the recommendation of the Council of Legal Education on the 25th February 1952 relating to the reading in chambers of overseas students." [p. 568]

Read the following report of the Finance Committee

1. [Repayment of an investment]
2. Approved the following report of the Pictures Committee
 - (a) That the sum of £75 be spent on the three portraits, a gift from the City of London;
 - (b) That records of subsequent appointments be added to the Arms in Hall at the expense of the Society where the Benchers so requests.
3. Recommend a donation of £20 to the Society of Comparative Legislation.
4. Upon considering an application from the Warden of London House for a donation, recommend to the Council to refer this question to the Treasurer to discuss with the other Treasurers.
5. Upon receiving the report of the Library Committee approved the payment of the salary to Mr. W.H.T. Satchwill during his absence.
6. Upon considering the question of salaries, recommend that all salaries are to be reviewed half yearly at the end of June and December.
7. Recommend a donation of £30 towards the Staff Annual Party.

It was thereupon Ordered that the recommendation of the Pictures Committee be approved including an expenditure of £10 on the portrait of Lord Justice Stirling, that items 3, 5, 6 and 7 be approved; item 4 to be referred to the Bar Students Advisory Committee. It was further Ordered that the Finance Committee be asked to reconsider the grant made to the Barristers Benevolent Association with a view to an increase in the future. [pp. 569, 570]

Council held on June 11th, 1952. [p. 571]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

John Stuart Bass, M.B.E. [pp. 562, 572]

"The Treasurer reported the gift of an ivory mallet presented to the Society by Mr. Justice Vaisey for use at Council Meetings." [p. 571]

Received the Treasurer's report of a telegram from H.M. Queen Mary, which read as follows

I am much touched by the words of your message on behalf of my fellow Benchers of Lincoln's Inn and send you all my warmest thanks—Mary R. [p. 571]

Read a communication from the Middle Temple adopting the recommendation of the Council of Legal Education dated 25th February 1952 relating to the reading in chambers of overseas students.

Read a similar communication from the Inner Temple.

W. Cleveland-Stevens, Esq. Q.C. called the attention of the Masters of the Bench to the hard work done by Lord Morton of Henryton as Chairman of the Council of Legal Education in procuring agreement of the Four Inns on the recommendation of the Council of Legal Education relating to this matter. [p. 572]

Council held on July 3rd, 1952. [p. 576]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Vice-President of the Inns of Court Students Union concerning the wearing of gowns by Students when in the precincts of their Inns or when they are attending lectures and It was Resolved that no Order be made thereon." [p. 576]

"Upon considering a reference from the Buildings Committee as to the tenancy of Messrs. Watkins 52 Carey Street, Ordered that the proposals made by Messrs. Yarde and Loader on behalf of Ernest A. Watkins Ltd. be declined." [p. 578]

BOOK XLVIII

Adjourned Council held on July 28th, 1952. [p. 1]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported an anonymous gift of £150 for the benefit of the Library to be used primarily towards the care or binding of books printed before 1850 and not being law books, but subject always to the better judgment of the Treasurer or the Master of the Library or the Librarian." [p. 1]

Ordered that the report of the Finance Committee be adopted from which the following extract is taken

1. The Committee accepted with regret the resignations of Mr. T. Leggett, Usher of the Hall, and Mr. T. Dandridge, Second Butler. . . . [p. 2]

"Granted the application from Miss Elizabeth R. Rogers for permission to photograph the miniature of St. Thomas More by Holbein for use as an illustration providing that the photograph is taken under arrangements made with the Under Treasurer and that an appropriate acknowledgement is made if the photograph is published." [pp. 5, 6]

Adjourned Council held on October 13th, 1952. [p. 7]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Hon. Charles Ritchie Russell, Q.C. [pp. 2, 8]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

1. Recommend the adoption of the Treasurer's accounts for the year ended 10th January 1952.

2. Recommend the following budget for 1953/54

(a) Estimated receipts		£73,700
(b) Estimated inevitable expenses	£47,095	
Spending Committees		
Buildings	£13,000	
Garden	1000	
Library	3500	
Wine, (including beer, minerals, cigarettes)	<u>3500</u>	68,095

3. Approved the appointment of Mr. Derek Sankey as Assistant Librarian from the 1st October 1952 at £450 p.a.

4. Recommend that this Society contribute £250 to the King George VI Memorial Fund subject to all the other Inns making a similar contribution. [p. 9]

The Treasurer reported that he had received a letter⁷ from the Lord Mayor of London asking that a subscription list be opened in Lincoln's Inn for the King George VI National Memorial Fund. It was Ordered that as the Inn had made its own contribution it would leave contributions by members to their individual decision. [p. 9]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee.

Upon considering a letter from the Society's solicitor with Counsel's opinion on the effectiveness of the notice to terminate Mrs. Watkins lease of the shop at 51/52 Carey Street, the Lessee's solicitors be informed that we agree it is a doubtful question and accept renewal offer in letter of the 7th August 1952 giving details of that offer. [pp. 9, 10]

Adopted the following report of the Garden Committee.

Upon considering the appointment of a Head Gardener, recommend the appointment of Mr. James Robinson at £7.10 per week rising to £8 per week if proving satisfactory after three months.

Mr. E. Wallington, Acting Head Gardener, to be Assistant Head Gardener at £7 per week.

Recommend that the wages of the third gardener be increased by 5/- to £4.10 per week.

Recommend the termination of Mr. R. Wright's (second gardener) employment subject either to a month's notice or a month's pay in lieu of notice. . . . [p. 10]

"Upon considering an application from Lady Alethea Eliot for the use of the Great Hall on the 27th October 1952 for the Girl Guides to meet Lady Burnham, the Chief Commissioner for England, Ordered that the application be refused with regret as the practice of the Inn does not permit the use of the Hall for such a function." [p. 11]

Council held on November 5th, 1952. [p. 12]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Officers for 1953: [p. 13]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Cohen

Dean of the Chapel: William Cleveland-Stevens, Q.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: His Honour Judge Daynes, Q.C.

Master of the Walks: Wilfred Gordon Brown, O.B.E.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following item.

"Upon considering the financial position of Miss M. Marriott, the Committee instructed the Under Treasurer to communicate with Miss

Chubb, Secretary to the Barristers' Benevolent Association, and, if necessary, with the County Council Welfare Officer of Devon, with a view to the possible accommodation of Miss Marriott in a suitable institution. The Treasurer to have discretion as to reasonable pecuniary aid after consultation with any members of the Committee he thinks fit to consult. Miss Marriott to be consulted before any steps are taken as a result of enquiries." [pp. 12, 13]

The Treasurer moved That Standing Order 26, which prohibits smoking in the Library be amended by adding the words "or after dinner on Call Night if in the Treasurer's opinion the number of Barristers newly called makes an adjournment to the Library necessary or desirable" which was Carried subject to the omission of the words "necessary or" [p. 13, 14]

"Ordered that a telegram of congratulations be sent to General Eisenhower.¹ [p. 13]

Council held on November 27th, 1952. [p. 17]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Basil Graham Burnett-Hall, [pp. 13, 16]

Read the following report of the Finance Committee

1. Upon considering the report of the Chapel Committee it is recommended

(a) That the Charitable Deed of Covenant be increased by £100 per annum to cover the extra cost of the Chapel over and above the £600 already appropriated

(b) That White Wine or Cyder be served at Sunday Luncheons

(c) That South African Sherry be served in place of the sherry at present served

(d) That luncheon consist of three courses only

(e) That the charge for lunch be raised to 12/6

(f) That the first service in each term be dropped and also the last service in July and December, if the Treasurer in consultation with the Preacher decide that it would be undesirable to hold it having regard to the number of people attending

(g) That an expense [account] of costs of Sunday luncheons and receipts be kept with a view to judging how far changes might be desirable in the future

2. Upon considering the financial position of Miss M. Marriott it is recommended that Miss Marriott be asked if she would be willing to be received into an Alms House of the Dyers Company at Northgate Road, Crawley, Sussex, if a vacancy is available.

¹ On the previous day General Eisenhower had been elected the next President of the United States.

It was Ordered that item 2 of the report be adopted, but that item 1 be reconsidered at the next Council Meeting.

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1952. [p. 21]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Upon further consideration of the report of the Finance Committee concerning the Chapel and Sunday luncheons Ordered that the report be approved subject to the deletion in paragraph (f) of all the words after the word "undesirable", and to the addition of the word "account" as the fourth word in the first line of paragraph (g).

The above recommendations to come into effect from the beginning of 1953 and that the Standing Orders be amended accordingly. [pp. 22, 23]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings, Chambers and [General] Purposes Committee subject to the amendments in respect of paragraph 4 of the report enumerated below

1. Upon considering a letter from the Surveyor with reference to his fee for preparing a schedule of chambers for insurance value, the Committee accepted Mr. Clapham's offer of a fee of 50 guineas. The Committee desired to express its appreciation of this very moderate charge.
2. Upon considering a [proposal by E. Watkins Ltd. to take a new lease of 51/52 Carey Street on stated terms] It was decided that the offer be refused and that the tenant should continue under the terms of the existing lease.
3. Upon considering a reference from the Garden Committee as to the repair of the Gardener's Lodge in the centre walk. Recommend to the Council the pulling down the Gardener's Lodge and providing alternative accommodation for the gardener at the north end of the garden.¹
4. Upon considering a communication from Mr. M.V. Clarke, a Barrister of the Inn, concerning smoking by Students in Hall. Recommend to Council that the signal for permission to smoke be the lighting of the Candle by the Butler upon the Benchers leaving the Hall.

It was Resolved that as soon as all Benchers have left the Hall (a) if no barristers are present the Butler shall light the candle; (b) if any barristers are present the Butler shall ask the Senior Barrister when the candle is to be lit. The lighting of the candle shall be the signal for permission to smoke. [pp. 24, 25]

"Approved the recommendation of the Joint Bench and Bar Liaison Committee that a cocktail party be held for Members of the Inn other than Students, the cost of such party to be met by the sale of tickets at a price to be fixed." [p. 25]

"Ordered that a sub-committee be appointed to consider Coronation Festivities ..." [p. 26]

¹ The Lodge is still there, and has recently (1998) been renovated. There is also accommodation for the gardener at the north end of the garden.

"Ordered that a communication from the Librarian of the City of Liverpool asking for the use of some of this Society's manuscripts to be shown in the Walker Art Gallery at their Coronation Exhibition in Liverpool from May 1st to September 1st 1953 be referred to the Library Committee with instructions to consult the Coronation Committee before reporting." [p. 26]

Treasurer: Sir Henry Tindal Methold: died January 29
Cecil Willie Turner

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 18 His Honour Alfred Frank Topham, K.C.
2. January 29 Sir Henry Methold, see above
3. February 6 Arthur Samuel Ward, K.C.
4. February 16 His Honour Raymond H. Roope Reeve, Q.C.
5. April 7 Arthur Percy Vanneck
6. July 7 Alfred James Long, Q.C.
7. October 12 His Honour Hugh Murray Sturges, Q.C.
8. December 25 Rt. Hon. Sir Paul Ogden Lawrence

Biographical notes

1. Topham. b.1874. County Court Judge 1938–1948. Author of books on Company Law and Real Property. Editor of the Law Reports 1936–1939.
2. Methold. b.1869. Master in Lunacy 1928–1944
3. Ward. b.1881. Practised on Midland Circuit. Recorder of Newark 1935; Coventry 1943–1952.
4. Roope Reeve. b.1875. County Court Judge 1926–1945 (Worcestershire). Claimed, in *Who's Who*, to be the "holder of what is believed to be world's record for trout killed on dry-fly-sea-trout 20½ lbs".
5. Vanneck. b.1870. Called November 17, 1893, as Arthur Percy Van Neck. Conveyancer. Died while still in practice at the age of 82.
6. Long. b.1890. Oxford Circuit. Recorder of Wolverhampton from 1951.
7. Sturges. b.1863. Oxford Circuit. County Court Judge: Lancashire 1913–1921; West London 1921–1928. Bencher 1926. (This election of a county court judge as a bencher was commented on at (1926) 161 L.T. News. 527).

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Louis Halle Gluckstein, Q.C.
 2. Cyril Montgomery White, Q.C.
 3. Philip James Sykes
 4. John Francis Bowyer
 5. John Stuart Bass
 6. Charles Russell, Q.C.
 7. Basil Graham Burnett-Hall
 8. Arthur Henry Droop
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Council held on January 21st, 1953. [p. 27]

Thirty Benchers present.

Granted an application made on behalf of the Selden Society for the use of the Hall and Benchers Rooms on Wednesday, 18th March 1953 for a lecture on Frederic William Maitland to be delivered by Professor H.A. Hollond, D.S.O.¹ [p. 28]

Council held on February 12th, 1953. [p. 33]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Arthur Henry Droop [pp. 28, 34]

Adopted the following report of the Coronation Committee with a modification to Item 4 by inserting the words "other than Honorary Benchers" after the word "Benchers".

1. Upon receiving the Under Treasurer's report on the estimates for a Garden Party Recommend that a Garden Party be not held.
2. Resolved to Recommend (1) that there be a Special Grand Day on the 10th June when a number of overseas members will be invited, and (2) That there be a Cocktail Party in the New Hall for Members of the Inn (excluding Students) and their friends on Tuesday 30th June at 5.30 to 7.30 p.m. It was thought that if Champagne were served the cost would be about £1 per head and that the price of tickets should be 25/- for two. One more ticket could be applied for at the price of 15/- and allotted if space permitted.
3. Upon considering a reference from the Library Committee concerning a communication from the City Librarian of Liverpool with reference to the loan of manuscripts for their Coronation Exhibition Recommend that the City Librarian be informed in the terms of the Library Committee's statement as follows "nothing suitable available".
4. Upon considering a communication from the Lord Chancellor's Office offering two seats in a Government Stand to view the Coronation Procession Resolved that these two seats be offered to the Benchers, *other than Honorary Benchers*, in order of seniority for the personal occupation of the Bencher and a friend. [pp. 34, 35]

Adjourned Council held on March 24th, 1953. [p. 37]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Upon considering the following report of the Finance Committee Ordered that recommendations 1 and 3 be adopted, which read as follows

¹ See *ante*, p. 551, n. 1 for details.

1. Upon considering the report of the Buildings and Finance Sub-Committee concerning the Works Department, Recommend

That Mr. Clapham's Plan of Work set out in his report to the Under Treasurer of the 16th February 1953 be adopted, and that no further work be done except in cases of emergency.

That after completion of 22 Old Buildings, the Works Staff be reduced by approximately one half and that as from the adoption of this recommendation tenants be required to pay for all small repairs.

That subject to any statutory or contractual obligations and as a general rule decorative repairs be not done on Rent Controlled premises except at tenant's expense, and that as regards other premises where tenants are not bound to repair, the Inn should not pay more than the cost of materials used for decorative repairs.

3. Adopted the Library Budget for 1953 amounting to £3515.

It was further Ordered that recommendation 2 be not approved, that the charge for Grand Night remain unchanged and that it be referred back to the Joint Sub-Committee of the Finance and Kitchen Committees to consider the question of the number of courses to be served on Rota Nights.

It was also referred to the Wine Committee to consider the question of the amount of wine served at dinner on Rota Nights and as to whether half bottles could be served.

It was also referred to the Buildings Committee to consider the Society's forms of Lease and Tenancy Agreement.

Read the report of the Sub-committee of the Joint Finance and Kitchen Committees concerning the dining in Hall on Sundays during Dining Term which recommended that Sunday Dinner be discontinued, and thereupon Ordered that the suggestion be approved subject to the necessary alterations in the Standing Orders and to the right to invite a guest being transferred from Sundays to Saturdays. [pp. 37-39]

Read the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., Q.C. Upon the Treasurer taking the decision of Council as to whether or not an election to the Bench be held at the next Council Meeting, it was ordered that no such election be held. [p. 40]

"The Treasurer reported an offer made by Lady Methold of a Garden Chair made by the late Sir Henry Methold which was accepted with thanks." [p. 41]

"Granted an application from Albert Kiralfy to allow George Hann to sketch the Old Hall to be used as an illustration of a projected book on legal history." [p. 42]

Upon considering a communication from the Society's Surveyor concerning the stained glass window in the Hall the following suggestions by Mr. Arthur Cole were approved

1. The arms concerned and their adjuncts should be kept as simple and clear as possible, with the general omission of quarterings.
2. The two or three expected vacancies in the last of the side windows (other than oriels) should be filled by the arms of the Treasurers of 1953 and 1954 and (as to any more) by those of distinguished Benchers of the past (such as Lord Macaulay, Lord Macnaghten and Lord Bryce).
3. The south window should include the arms of the Inn and of Prince Rupert and the Royal arms of Charles II and such of his successors (and their consorts) as have been members of the Society, and if further space is found to be available there it should be used for the arms of the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, subject to their consent. [pp. 42, 43]

Council held on April 15th, 1953. [p. 44]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of H.M. Queen Mary, Bencher of this Society. Received the Treasurer's report of the communication of the Society's sympathy sent to H.M. Queen Elizabeth II and the reply received thereto. [pp. 44, 45]

"Granted an application to hold a Memorial Service in the Chapel for the late Sir Gilfrid Craig, late Senior Partner in the firm of Speechly, Mumford and Craig, and a freeholder of Chambers in New Square, subject to suitable arrangements being made." [p. 45]

"On the suggestion of the Master of the Rolls Ordered that the four¹ Chief Justices named below be granted the privileges of the Bench during their Coronation visit.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Owen Dixon, K.C.M.G.

Chief Justice of Australia

Lt. Gen. The Hon Sir Edmund Herring, K.C.M.G., etc.

Supreme Court of Victoria

The Rt. Hon. T. Rinfret

Chief Justice of Canada" [p. 46]

Council held on May 7th, 1953. [p. 49]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Upon considering the report of the Bar Students Advisory Committee dated 20th March 1953, Ordered

(a) That so far as the Coronation Ball to be run by the Inns of Court Students Union is concerned, this Inn is prepared to contribute a sum not exceeding £50 towards any loss on the Ball resulting from the sale of tickets short of £500.

¹ Only three are named in the Black Book.

(b) That it is agreed that Mr. John Lee, Bar Students Advisory Officer, should be granted luncheon facilities provided that the student whom he accompanies is a member of Lincoln's Inn and that only one student is entertained at a time. [pp. 50, 51]

Ordered that the following recommendations of the Finance Committee be adopted

Upon considering the arrangements for Coronation Day Recommend

(a) That all gates of the Inn be closed except the Lincoln's Inn Fields gate which is to be manned throughout the day

(b) That a £5 bonus be paid to each member of the permanent staff to assist them in celebrating the Coronation. [pp. 51, 52]

Ordered that the following recommendations of the Buildings Committee be adopted.

1. Upon considering a recommendation from the Surveyor concerning the proposals for a claim for loss of development value in respect of 16 and 25 Old Buildings and Bishops Court Recommend Council to authorise the Trustees of the Real Estate to agree the figure of £25,000 provisionally agreed with valuer, and sign the claim.

2. Upon considering a reference from Council to consider the Society's forms of lease and tenancy agreement Recommend to Council that the Inn's Solicitor be instructed to consider these documents in conjunction with Mr. Arthur Cole and (subject to his consent) Mr. Burnett-Hall.

Council held on June 25th, 1953. [p. 57]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

"Upon considering a communication from the Treasurer of the Inner Temple suggesting consultations of the Treasurers of the Four Inns when expenditure of money is jointly involved Ordered that consultations be agreed to but limited to cases where contributions of each Inn may exceed £20 or such other sum as the four Treasurers may agree." [p. 60]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

"It was also recommended that each child under the age of 16 years of the Inn's servants be given a Crown piece as a Coronation present." [pp. 60, 61]

"Ordered that the Rev. Prebendary C. Cheshire be appointed Preacher to the Society for the coming year from the 1st July 1953." [p. 62]

"On consideration of a communication from the Chartered Auctioneers and Estate Agents Institute concerning the provision of underground garages in Lincoln's Inn Fields Ordered that a copy of the report of the working party set up by the Ministry of Transport in May 1951 be obtained and considered by the Treasurer who will write a suitable letter if Lincoln's Inn Fields are to be affected." [p. 62]

Adjourned Council held on July 27th, 1953. [p. 64]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"Received the Treasurer's report concerning the proposed underground garages in the Ministry of Works report of the working party on car parking in the inner area of London."¹ [p. 65]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

1. Upon considering the following recommendations of the Garden Committee (a) that E. Wallington be granted a gratuity of £100 on resigning his position as gardener after thirty-one years service with the Society, and (b) that a boy be engaged in place of E. Wallington Resolved that these recommendations be submitted to the Council for approval.

2. Recommend to the Council that a gratuity of £25 be paid to H. Smith, a luncheon waiter, on his retirement, but no pension. [pp. 65, 66]

Approved the report of the Cocktail Party (Coronation) Committee which read as follows

Total Cost: £648.15

Received from Members: £332.15

Cost borne by the Society: £316.

"Received a communication from the President of the Inns of Court Students Union to the effect that the Union would not require financial assistance from the four Inns in connection with their Coronation Ball which had proved to be a great success." [p. 66]

Adjourned Council held on October 5th, 1953. [p. 68]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Received the Under Treasurer's report concerning the following bequest by the late Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel Bart., Q.C.

A Charles II silver rose water dish with porringer and cover. London Hall Mark 1668. Weight 56 oz. Heavily embossed and chased with flowers, foliage and animals, and the dish is engraved with the coat of arms of the Master Shipwright inscribed "At the launching of His Majesty's Ship, The Royal Charles 5th April 1668."²

¹ See *ante*, p. 580. The report of the working party, if obtained, is not now held by the Society.

² There are a number of errors here both in the will and the inscription. Contrary to what is said in the will, the arms on both the porringer and the dish are those of the Monarch and not of the shipwright. The date of the launch is given as 3 April in the inscription, not 5 April as stated in the will. (5 April fell on a Sunday in 1668, an unlikely day for a launching). Furthermore the inscription is at variance with the account of the launching given in Pepys Diary where it is said that the launching took place on 3 March 1668. At that date Mr. Shish (not Shishi) was an Assistant Shipwright. He did not become the King's Master Shipwright until 24 March 1668: *The Diary of Samuel Pepys* ed. Latham and Matthews (1976), Vol. 9. pp. 101, 128.

These pieces were presented by King Charles to Shishi on the launching of the Royal Charles. Purchased from the collection of John A. Holms of Paisley, 1913.

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the bequest by Mrs. Dora Greenland, widow of H.F.F. Greenland, Esq., late a Benchler of this Honourable Society,¹ of the sum of five thousand pounds upon the following terms

To the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn five thousand pounds to be held by the Society as a Trust Fund to be known as The Hubert Greenland Fund the income of which shall be used to assist the education or training in the law of students of the said Society (being British subjects born in the United Kingdom or Ireland or if born abroad children of parents one of whom at least shall have been born in the United Kingdom or Ireland) either by way of scholarships or prizes, payment of pupils fees or otherwise howsoever as the Masters of the Bench of the said Society shall from time to time in their absolute discretion think fit provided always that no payment of such income shall at any time be made for any purpose which is not in law a charitable purpose.

Ordered that the matter be referred to the Scholarship Committee. [*pp.* 70, 71]

The Under Treasurer reported that he had received the portrait of the Rt. Hon. Lord Simonds, the Lord Chancellor, by Sir Gerald Kelly, P.R.A. presented to the Society by the late Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., Q.C.

Council held on November 4th, 1953. [p. 73]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Officers for 1954: [*pp.* 75, 76]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Cohen

Master of the Library: William Cleveland-Stevens, C.M.G., Q.C.

Dean of the Chapel: His Honour Judge Daynes, Q.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Wilfred Gordon Brown, O.B.E.

Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr. Justice Roxburgh

Received the following report of the Pictures Committee

The Committee reports to the Council their appreciation of the Under Treasurer's most successful and arduous work in the cleaning of the Arms in the Hall. [*p.* 74]

Read and approved the report of the Scholarship Committee concerning the bequest of £5000 received from the executors of Mrs. Dora Greenland. The Committee recommended that

"the whole of the income of the Fund in each year be applied in giving a Scholarship on the lines of the Cholmeley Scholarship as altered in the copy of Cholmeley Regulations initialled by Lord Cohen." [*pp.* 74, 75]

¹ Greenland died on February 13, 1945.

Adopted the following report of the Kitchen Committee

1. Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Society's chef, Mr. David Beckford.
2. Recommend the appointment of Theodore Rosenau as the Society's chef as and from the 1st November at a wage of £12 per week.

Read a communication from Dean C.E. Smalley Baker on behalf of the Osgoode Hall Law School, Canada, seeking permission to incorporate the Arms of Lincoln's Inn into the new Arms of the Osgoode Hall Law School. It was Ordered that the request be agreed to. [p. 75]

Council held on November 26th, 1953. [p. 77]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"Upon considering the position of Mr. H. Ancill, lower vestibule porter, it is recommended that his services be terminated and that he be granted a pension of 23/60ths of his wages. This would amount to £2.5.0 per week." [p. 78]

"Upon considering the report of the Library Committee concerning the disposal of certain books from the Library: Ordered that the matter stand over to the next Council Meeting; meanwhile a list of books is to be made available for inspection by Benchers." [p. 78]

"Upon considering the election of the Rt. Hon. Clement Edward Davies Q.C., M.P. as a Bencher of the Society, the Treasurer gave notice that the proposal will be in the Agenda at the next meeting of the Council and that he will move the suspension of Standing Orders so far as may be necessary to enable the election to be proceeded with at the same meeting." [p. 79]

"The Treasurer reported that a request had been made by the Bar Musical Society for the use of the Hall for a Concert in memory of Kathleen Ferrier. It was agreed that all arrangements for the holding of the concert in the Hall with use of the Benchers Rooms were to be left to the Bar Musical Society and the Council recommended that the Trustees of the Lincoln's Inn Charitable Funds grant £20 to be added to the charitable funds to be raised by the concert. It was further Ordered that the Wine Committee be authorised to sell wine to the Master of the Rolls for the Bar Musical Society." [p. 79]

Adjourned Council held on December 15th, 1953. [p. 84]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 40, 86, 87]

Rt. Hon. Clement Edward Davies, Q.C., M.P.

Adopted the report of the Finance committee

1. Upon considering the annual contribution made to the General Council of the Bar: Recommend to the Council that subject to the other three Inns agreeing, agree to share the total of £2400 equally.
2. Approved the following recommendation from the Buildings Committee.
 - (a) The purchase of 100 chairs at £9.10s. per chair.

- (b) The purchase of 18 arm chairs at £11.15s. per chair (approx).
 - (c) The upholstering of the large sofa in the drawing room in leather at a cost of £38.
 - (d) The purchase of two easy chairs at £51 each.
3. [Wage increases].

Upon further consideration of the report of the Library Committee concerning the disposal of certain books from the Library stood over from the Council of the 26th November 1953 Ordered that the report be approved and that the books be disposed of as recommended in the report.

Adopt the suggestions in the memorandum with the following modifications (1) Books presented by deceased members of the Inn need not be retained if they are of very little interest or value (2) The first offer should be made to the British Museum. [*p.* 86]

Treasurer: Lord Morton of Henryton

The following Benchers died during the year.

February 23 Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel, Bart., Q.C. b.1869. Judge Advocate General 1916–1934. Generous benefactor of the Inn.

The Rt. Hon. Clement Davies, Q.C., M.P. was elected in his place.

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Council held on January 20th, 1954. [*p.* 88]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Upon considering a report of the Furniture Sub Committee as to the increased cost of the new chairs for the Dining Hall Recommend that the Treasurer's initials and date be carved only on the Treasurer's chair thus reducing the cost to £9.14.6 per chair. In view of the uncertainty as to the cost of the arms to be stamped on each chair, recommend that authority be given for the purchase of the chairs up to £10 per chair. [*pp.* 90, 91]

"Granted an application from the Selden Society for the use of the New Hall for a Lecture to be delivered by Professor A.L. Goodhart, K.B.E., Q.C. on the 25th March 1954." [*p.* 91]

"Ordered that the use of the Hall and Benchers rooms be offered for a dinner of Barristers' and Judges' Clerks of over 40 years service subject to a suitable date being arranged." [*p.* 91]

"Upon considering the question of the gift of £700 from the New Zealand Law Society for the purpose of contributing towards the cost of the restoration of the Inns of Court Ordered that the suggestion that there should be an equal division with the other Inns be approved." [*p.* 91]

Council held on February 11th, 1954. [p. 95]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Buildings Committee

1. Upon considering the report of the Sub-Committee on Stained Glass

Recommend that texture glass be used, except in the bottom four middle panels in the Drawing Room and Council Room. The Arms in the Drawing Room to be as shown in the designs submitted, namely, the Bishop de Lacey of Lincoln, Edward Suliard, William de Haverhull and Richard de Neville.¹ In the Council Room the Arms of the Rt. Hon. Viscount Hailsham, the Rt. Hon. Viscount Maugham, the Rt. Hon. Lord Simonds and the Rt. Hon. Sir Felix Cassel Q.C. subject to such alterations to the Arms in the Drawing Room as may be found appropriate after the Arms have been checked.

Recommend the approval of the suggestion as to the staircase window shown on the sketch with inscriptions below as indicated in the Surveyor's letter to the Under Treasurer, dated 10th December 1953, but suggesting the words "with the advice" for the words "under the guidance." The inscriptions would therefore read as follows

The Heraldic Glass throughout this
building after destruction in the War
1939-45 was replaced with the advice
of Arthur Cole, Bencher of this
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2. Upon considering the gift of The New Zealand Bar of the sum of £175

Recommend the appointment of a Sub-Committee consisting of the Treasurer, Mr. Justice Roxburgh and Mr. Arthur Cole.

3. Upon considering the question of the provision of a Students' room

Recommend setting aside the Refreshment Room as a Student's Common Room and the appointment of a Sub-committee consisting of [three Benchers] to prepare detailed suggestions for putting this recommendation into effect, and to submit estimates, the Sub-committee to have power to co-opt. [pp. 97, 98]

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Francis William Pember, an Honorary Bencher of this Society. [p. 99]

¹ The text contains a number of errors. The names in the window are as follows:

Henry de Lacy Earl of Lincoln
Edward Sulyard
William de Haverhill
Ralph de Neville.

Adjourned Council held on March 18th, 1954. [p. 102]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported that he had received from the Rt. Hon. Sir Walter Monckton Q.C., M.P. the shield bearing the Arms of the Society which was the property of Her Late Majesty Queen Mary, a Bencher of this Honourable Society. Ordered that the matter be referred to the Pictures Committee." [p. 102]

Ordered that the Arms of Mr. Justice Compton Lawrence be restored to their proper position on the west side of the Hall and that the Arms of the Rt. Hon. Viscount Bryce of Detchmont, O.M., G.C.V.O., D.C.L. should be placed in the vacant panel thus created on the east side of the Hall. It was further Ordered that after these orders have been carried out, a list is to be made of the persons whose Arms are on the walls of the Hall with their positions. In future, erection of Arms in the Hall should be reported to Council. [pp. 103, 104]

Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee

The Committee considered a letter of resignation from the Rev. Prebendary Cheshire, Preacher to the Society. The letter was received with regret and the matter was discussed generally and adjourned for consideration. [p. 104]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee together with the suggestion that the New Zealand gift of £175 should be expended as to £125 on furniture for the Students Common Room, and £50 on suitable silver for use on the Benchers Table.

Recommend to the Council approval of the Light and Air Agreement affecting 8-11 Stone Buildings and 12 Old Square between the Society and the Territorial Army and Air Force Association of the County of London and Viscount Folkestone and the Chancery Lane Safe Deposit and Office Company Limited and the Sun Life Insurance Society subject to any comments by the Trustees of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn.

Upon considering the Arms to be placed in the west oriel window of the Hall, Recommend the adoption of Mr. Arthur Cole's report and leave Mr. Cole to make the final selection. [pp. 104, 105]

"The Treasurer reported a proposal concerning the presentation of colours to the Inns of Court Regiment by the Queen Mother. The Treasurer was authorised to contribute up to £25 towards the cost of the proposed reception." [p. 106]

"Accepted with thanks a portrait by R. White of the Rt. Hon. Sir Henry Beddington,¹ Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, offered by E.A.R. Temple, Esq., Q.C." [p. 106]

¹ This appears to be a slip for "Bedingfield." Sir Henry Bedingfield (1633-1687) was Chief Justice of the Court of Common Pleas from April 21st, 1686 until his death on February 6th, 1687. A life size portrait of him by Robert White is in the possession of the Society.

Adjourned Council held on April 7th, 1954. [p. 107]

Fifteen Benchers present.

Ordered that the following report of the Chapel Committee be adopted.

1. As to the appointment of a Preacher

Letters of recommendation of the Rev. Michael Stancliffe having been read and the Dean of the Chapel having reported an interview with him to be followed by an early intimation by him as to his willingness to accept the offer by the Council Recommend the appointment of the Rev. Michael Stancliffe to the Council if his answer is favourable; the appointment in the first instance to be for an introductory period of one year.

2. Recommend to Council that on the Preacher's retirement, he should be invited to dine at the Bench Table and to use the Library at his pleasure. [p. 107]

Council held on April 28th, 1954. [p. 108]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Arising out of the minutes, the Treasurer reported that he had agreed to a contribution of £20 towards the cost of the Inns of Court Regiment Reception on the occasion of the presentation of Colours by the Queen Mother." [p. 108]

"The Treasurer reported that in agreement with the other three Inns, this Society has made a donation of one hundred guineas to the International Law Association towards its Annual Conference. Arising out of a letter of thanks from the International Law Association Mr. Justice Roxburgh was appointed to represent this Inn at the International Law Association's Meeting at Edinburgh." [p. 109]

Received the retirement of Wilfred Gordon Brown, Esq., from the office of Keeper of the Black Book. Upon considering the appointment of Officers of the Society consequent upon the retirement of Mr. Brown¹

Mr. Justice Roxburgh was elected Keeper of the Black Book for the residue of the year, and the Rt. Hon. Sir Raymond Evershed, M.R. elected Master of the Walks for the same period. [p. 109]

"Ordered that the purchase of a carpet for the Drawing Room be approved at a cost of £485. The question of an underfelt was referred to the Building Committee." [p. 110]

"Granted the application of the Inns of Court Regiment to be allowed the use of the Old Hall for the presentation of Colours to the Regiment by the Queen Mother in the event of bad weather preventing the Ceremony taking place in the Gardens of the Inner Temple. It was further agreed that the Inns of Court Regiment be allowed the use of the Gardens for rehearsals of the Ceremony subject to the right to stop practice marching on the grass if it is found to be causing damage." [pp. 110, 111]

¹ W.G. Brown died on March 4th, 1955.

Council held on May 20th, 1954. [p. 114]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"Suspended Standing Order 8 so far as necessary to enable the consideration of the election as a Benchers of Edward Milner Holland, C.B.E., Q.C. to be proceeded with."¹ [p. 116]

Called to the Bench: [pp. 109, 116]

Edward Milner Holland, C.B.E., Q.C.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee and appointed the same committee as in 1953 to deal with the arrangements for a Cocktail Party, the Treasurer having the power to make a substitute in the place of Mr. A.M. Latter, Q.C.

1. [Investment]

2. Upon considering a report from the Buildings Committee Recommend the approval of necessary expenditure and adoption of the following report on the provision of a Students Common Room and that the matter be referred back to the Buildings and General Purposes Committee for necessary action.

3. [Approval of the Treasurer's accounts for 1953]

4. Upon considering a suggestion from the Bar Representation Committee concerning a proposed Cocktail Party to be held in the Hall this year, the suggestion is recommended, but that a charge of 15/- per ticket be made and that a Committee be appointed to make the necessary arrangements. [pp. 116, 118, 119]

**REPORT OF THE SUB-COMMITTEE ON THE PROVISION OF A
STUDENTS COMMON ROOM**

The Sub-Committee was appointed by the Buildings Committee to "prepare detailed suggestions" to carry out a recommendation setting aside the Refreshment Room as a Students Common Room.

The Committee first met on the 24th February when it was resolved that Mr. Clapham be asked to prepare rough plans and estimates for making the Barristers Refreshment Room into a Students Common Room and Refreshment Room, the vestibule being made available as a cloakroom. The plan envisaged the conversion of the little used still room as a canteen, the creation of a cloakroom in the Lower Vestibule and the improvement of the Refreshment Room to make it suitable as a Common Room. the construction of a cloak room in the Lower Vestibule is in part intended to prevent lady barristers suffering the embarrassment of pushing their way through a crowd of students to reach the ladies' cloakroom.

Plans have now been received and it would appear that the cost of the constructional work and redecoration involved would amount to about £750.

¹ Admitted *ad eundem* from the Inner Temple on March 20th, 1947: recorded 3 A.R.471. For an earlier example of advanced election to the Bench, see *ante*, pp. 132, 133 (J. Herbert Cunliffe, K.C.)

This figure may be increased if a doorway into the Still Room from the Lower Vestibule can be constructed, but an amendment of the scheme for the cloak-room may offset such increase.

If the Still Room is converted into a canteen, it is expected that it can be made to accommodate about 48 persons. This would require the purchase of 10 tables and 48 chairs at a cost of about £180; floor covering would cost about £80. So far as the Refreshment Room is concerned, it is estimated that 6 easy chairs would be required and 6 round tables. The cost of these two items would amount to about £110. Carpets or rugs if considered desirable, would amount to approximately £140

Summary of Costs

Canteen	£260
Common Room	250
Constructional and decorative work	750
	<u>£1260</u>

In the event of the above scheme being approved, a certain amount of additional china and cutlery may be required, but it would not involve a very substantial sum.

Enquiries from the other Inns have revealed that each is involved in a substantial annual liability in respect of a students common room varying from £440 to £600 per annum.

It is not considered desirable or practicable to run a students canteen on the existing kitchen staff, but that it should be treated as a separate entity. If the scheme is approved it will require s staff of not less than two, possibly three, to carry out the necessary duties. [pp. 116-118]

On consideration of a communication from the East London Church Congress concerning the loan of some of the Society's Communion Plate for an exhibition at the Victoria and Albert Museum, Bethnal Green. Approved that the following three articles be loaned subject to the Dean of the Chapel being satisfied that they are fully insured. The plate to be valued at the expense of the Society.

1. Flagon. Nicholai Franklyn, London, 1657
2. Chalice. James Allan Park Esq., 1805
3. Paten. H. Collins, London, 1708. [pp. 119, 120]

Council held on June 16th, 1954. [p. 121]

Thirty Benchers present.

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the following gifts

- (1) Silver table bell for use in the Drawing Room from the Treasurer.
- (2) Two blue table covers for the Drawing Room from the Hon. Denys Buckley. [p. 124]

Council held on July 8th, 1954. [p. 127]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Ordered that the following report of the Finance Committee be adopted

Recommend

1. (a) the renewal of the Chapel boiler at a cost of £148.10; (b) the provision of accommodation in the Library for the Librarian at an estimated cost of £185

2. Upon considering the reference from the Chapel Committee concerning repairs to the organ Recommend the acceptance of Messrs. William Hill & Son and Norman & Beard's estimate of £524

3. Upon considering the Society's investments
[Recommended specific investments]

Further recommend that in future the Finance Committee be authorised to invest available surpluses subject to reporting action at next meeting of Council.

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Adjourned Council held on July 28th, 1954. [p. 131]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Ordered that permission be granted to the 8th Finsbury Wolf Cub Pack to have the use of the Gardens subject to no damage being done to the grass and leaving no litter.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

2. Considered the following report from the Buildings Committee concerning the Works Department, recommending

Cluett as foreman—no increase
Stevenson as assistant foreman—£9.10. per week
Roach as electrician—Trade Union rate
Lane as bricklayer
Wood as carpenter
Morley and Lilley as painters
Eaton and Keogh as labourers
White as plumber

Recommended to Council the adoption of the report.

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4. Upon considering a communication from the Bar Library Committee concerning the donation to be made to Mr. W.F. Bird the Assistant Librarian on completion of 50 years service Recommend to Council to authorise application of the Inn's share of £150 to the Testimonial

5. Received the Under Treasurer's report on the cost of the Cocktail Party which was as follows

Caterer's account	£161.18.0
Wine consumed	
15.3 doz. Champagne	201. 0.0
4 bottles whisky	6.15.0
2 bottles sherry	1. 5.0
5 bottles gin	7. 7.6
Cost of flowers	10. 0.0
Hire of 100 chairs	7.10.0
Wages to wine waiters	3. 5.0
Cost of cigarettes	3.15.0
Payments to staff	<u>12.15.0</u>
	415.10.6
Received from members for tickets	<u>213. 0.0</u>
Cost to the Society	<u>£202.10.6</u>

Read the following report of the Garden Committee

Upon considering the question of the Garden generally the Committee Recommend

1. A flowering shrubbery to be substituted for the north flower border and rockery.
2. The New Square Garden corner borders to be grassed down, and Council to consider whether there should be central beds or trees, or both.
3. The Terrace border to be somewhat broadened. Robinson to prepare the plan and estimate.
4. Bulbs to be grown in rough grass where appropriate, e.g. the corner of New Square garden, under the mulberry trees, etc.
5. That Robinson should consider tree lopping.

It was thereupon Ordered that Item 1 be authorised at an expenditure not exceeding £125; that Items 2, 3 and 4 be referred back to the Garden committee for further consideration; that Item 5 be approved. [p. 135]

Received the following report from the Library Committee

The Librarian reported that the volumes selected by the Bodleian and Cambridge University Libraries (as well as those selected by the British Museum) have now been dispatched. Recommend to Council that residue of books from Disposal Lists be offered (a) Medical—to the Royal College of Surgeons (b) Theological—to Lambeth Palace, (c) the remainder to a Provincial University. [pp. 135, 136]

"Received the report of the Dean of the Chapel that the Dean of Winchester had accepted the invitation to become the new Warburton Lecturer which was approved." [p. 136]

Adjourned Council held on October 4th, 1954. [p. 139]

Thirty Benchers present.

Accepted an offer by the Osgoode Law School of a shield of their Coat of Arms. Ordered that it be referred to the Pictures Committee to decide where it should be hung. [p. 141]

Council held on November 3rd, 1954. [p. 142]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Officers for 1955: [pp. 146, 147]

Treasurer: William Cleveland-Stevens, C.M.G., Q.C.

Master of the Library: His Honour Judge Daynes, Q.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Roxburgh

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Evershed, M.R.

Master of the Walks: Mr. Justice Harman

Adopted the following report of the Students Committee excepting recommendation B which was deferred

Upon considering a reference from the Buildings Committee consequent upon proposed repairs to the Hall roof Recommend

(A) That the letter to be signed by the Treasurer to the Treasurers of the other Inns as to the dispensation of Terms consequent upon the closing of the Hall as drafted by Lord Justice Jenkins be approved

(B) That all Students on the Books at any time while the Hall is not available for dinners be granted dispensation of the appropriate Term or Terms. [pp. 142, 143]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

1. [Investments]

2. Upon considering a reference from the Buildings Committee concerning the repairs to the Hall roof:

(a) Recommend to Council that authority be given for the work to start on about the 1st March 1955, and that Messrs Dove Brothers be employed. The question of approving and signing the contract be referred back to the Buildings Committee.

(b) Recommend the temporary opening of the Students Common Room with no facilities other than the use of the room if the Under Treasurer reports that that would appear to be the wish of the students. The Common Room to be closed when necessary to enable the work on the roof to start.

3. Upon considering the reference from Council concerning the question of shorthand notes to be taken at Special Councils dealing with cases of disciplinary action:

Authorise the Under Treasurer to engage a shorthand writer whenever a Special Council was concerned in such cases. No transcript to be bespoken unless there is an appeal.

4. Considered a communication from the Secretary of the Law Society of Upper Canada, Osgoode Hall in which a cheque for 64 Canadian dollars was enclosed, representing Lincoln's Inn's Share of a gift from C.H.A. Armstrong Esq. Q.C. and Professor E.R. Arthur, being royalties of a book "Inns of Court. The Honourable Society of Osgoode Hall" of which they are joint authors.

Recommend Council to refer the matter to the Buildings Committee with a view to selection of the object on which the money shall be spent.

5. [Land Tax Redemption]

6. [Renewal of Deeds of Covenant in favour of the Selden Society and the United Law Clerks Society.]

7. Upon considering an application from the Dean of St. Paul's for a donation to help towards the preservation of St. Paul's Cathedral Recommend that no contribution be made unless the other Inns intend to contribute.

It was also Ordered that as the other Inns' views have been ascertained No contribution is to be made towards the preservation of St. Paul's Cathedral in answer to the Appeal made by the Dean of St. Paul's. [pp. 143-145]

Adopted the following report of the Garden Committee

Considered the following recommendations referred back to the Garden Committee by Council on July 28th, 1954. The Committee thereby resolved

- (a) That the borders in New Square Garden be grassed down.
- (b) That the terrace border be widened by three feet (the first resolution was passed by 6 votes to 4, and the second by 6 votes to 3)

Ordered that the iron railings facing New Square at the north west corner of the buildings (outside No. 11a) be removed. [pp. 145, 146]

Upon considering the question of Honorary Benchers: Ordered that the election of Chief Justice Earl Warren of the United States Supreme Court be not approved. Consideration of the election of the High Commissioner for New Zealand, the Hon. T.C. Webb, was deferred.¹ [p. 146]

"Upon considering the privileges of the Preacher to the Society Ordered that the Preacher be given the privilege of lunching in Hall at the Bench Table on weekdays at his own expense." [p. 147]

Council held on November 25th, 1954. [p. 150]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

George Phillips Coldstream, C.B. [pp. 140, 153]

¹ See *post*, p. 597.

Adopted the report of the Scholarship Committee which included the following

Recommend "that the Bennett Essay Prize of £100 be awarded next year, the subject of the Essay to be selected by the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Denning" ... [p. 151]

Upon considering the following report of the Sub-Committee appointed to deal with the gift from Members of the New Zealand Law Society and on the gift of royalties received from the sale of the book entitled "The Honourable Society of Osgoode Hall"

1. Your Committee had before them a report of Council of the 18th March 1954 that the New Zealand gift of £175 should be expended as to £125 on furniture for the Students Common Room and £50 on suitable silver for use at the Bench Table. The Committee also had a letter from Mr. D.G. Gledhill, Secretary of the New Zealand Law Society from which they observed that the members of the legal profession in New Zealand had contributed the sum of £700 for the purpose of the restoration of the Inns of Court. This letter enclosed a cheque for £175, being the allocation to this Society. In view of the contents of Mr. Gledhill's letter, it is thought that Council might now like to rescind their above mentioned Order of the 18th March last in which case the Committee Recommend that this sum be applied towards the cleaning of the stonework in the Great Hall which will not be recovered from the War Damage Commissioners and that a small plaque, suitably inscribed, be placed in the Hall to commemorate this gift.

2. On considering the amount of £23.8.1 received from Osgoode Hall, Toronto, being the initial payment in respect of royalties from the book "The Honourable Society of Osgoode Hall," the Committee Recommend that this amount should be utilised in the purchase of a silver tankard suitably inscribed.

Council Resolved

(1) That the sum of £23.8.1. given to the Honourable Society by the authors of the book "The Honourable Society of Osgoode Hall," be applied in the purchase of one of a pair of silver tankards upon which a suitable inscription is to be engraved.

(2) That notwithstanding the Resolution passed on the 18th March 1954, the sum of £175 subscribed by members of the Legal Profession in New Zealand for restoration of the Inn be applied towards the cost of the restoration of the roof of the Great Hall, and that in order to make a permanent record of this gift, the Society do purchase out of its own funds a second tankard to be suitably inscribed at a cost of approximately £25. [pp. 152, 153]

The Treasurer reported that he had sent to the Treasurers of the other three Inns the following letter concerning the closing of the Hall in the summer of 1955 for repairs and read replies which agreed to the proposals contained in it.

It has recently been discovered that the roof of Lincoln's Inn Hall is in need of major repairs, which in the interests of safety should be carried out in the fairly near future and will necessitate the closing of the hall for a matter of six months. We expect the work to begin on or about the 1st March 1955, and while it is going on we will not be able to provide Students dinners as we have no practicable alternative accommodation for that purpose.

In these circumstances I write to ask your approval to our allowing, as an emergency measure, dispensation to our students in respect of any Term or Terms which they may be prevented from keeping through the closing of the Hall, with an expected maximum of two terms.

There would, I think, be difficulty in making any term or terms dispensed with under this emergency measure count against the two terms in respect of which dispensation can be granted in individual cases under the discretionary power conferred by Consolidated Regulation 37; but in considering any application under the Regulation regard would be had to any dispensation accorded to the student concerned on account to the closing of the Hall. In other words a student who had been excused any term or terms on that account would be required to make out a strong case in order to have a further dispensation resulting in the reduction of the total terms kept by him to less than ten. [pp. 153-156]

Upon considering a communication from the General Council of the Bar concerning the Commonwealth Law conference to be held in 1955 Ordered that the suggestion contained therein be approved in principle and that the Treasurer and Treasurer-elect be appointed to discuss the matter with the Treasurers of the other three Inns. [p. 156]

Adjourned Council held on December 16th, 1954. [p. 158]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Arising out of the minutes of the Council of 25th November 1954, it was Ordered that Mr. Arthur Cole be asked to suggest an inscription for the tankards purchased in connection with the gift subscribed by members of the Legal Profession in New Zealand and by the authors of the book "The Honourable Society of Osgoode Hall." [p. 158]

Ordered that the following report of the Bench and Bar Liaison Committee be adopted:

Recommend to Council that a Cocktail Party be held in the Old Hall subject to a limitation of numbers, if found to be necessary. [pp. 160, 161]

Adopted reports of the Buildings Committee which included the following items

(1) Upon considering the question of the Drawing Room furniture Resolved to recommend that the two square armchairs be destroyed.

(2) Upon consideration of the Surveyor's report on No. 1 Old Buildings Recommend to Council the adoption of Mr. Clapham's report and that

notice be given to the Historical Monuments Commission. Recommend that no second opinion be obtained at any rate at this stage, and that the matter be referred back to the Buildings Committee for further report. [pp. 162, 163]

Treasurer: Lord Cohen

The following Benchers died during the year

1. March 19 Nathaniel Micklem, Q.C.
2. September 16 H.H. Judge John Stuart Bass
3. December 15 Vladimir Robert Idelson, Q.C.
4. December 19 John Westley Manning, Q.C.

Biographical notes

1. Micklem. b.1853. The oldest Bencher in the period. Q.C. in 1900, K.C. in 1901 and Q.C. again in 1952. Chancery Bar.
2. Bass. b.1905. Prosecuting counsel at the Central Criminal Court. Additional judge at the Mayor's and City of London Court from 1953. The youngest Bencher at death in the period.
3. Idelson. Called to the Russian Bar in 1906. Came to England in 1918. Called to the Bar in England by Gray's Inn in 1926. Polyglot.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Edward Milner Holland, Q.C.
2. George Phillips Coldstream, C.B.
3. Edward Johnson Rimmer, Q.C.

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Council held on January 19th, 1955. [p. 165]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Edward Johnson Rimmer, Q.C. [pp. 164, 168]

"The Treasurer brought to the notice of the Council that Gareth Hywell Jones, a Cholmeley Scholar had been certified the best candidate from Lincoln's Inn at the recent Hilary Bar Final Examinations and was eligible for the Buchanan Prize. This was approved and it was agreed that the presentation should be made on the occasion of Mr. Jones's Call to the Bar." [p. 165]

"Upon considering the form of entertainment to be given on the occasion of the Commonwealth Law Conference, Ordered that the Treasurer be given authority to say that this Inn is prepared to contribute up to £500 towards the cost of such entertainment." [pp. 166, 167]

"Upon considering a communication from the Bar Association of New South Wales in which was expressed a desire to have some masonry from Lincoln's Inn to be used as a foundation stone for their new sets of Chambers

in New South Wales, Ordered that the request be acceded to and that the Under Treasurer be instructed to make the necessary arrangements." [pp. 168, 169]

Council held on February 10th, 1955. [p. 172]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Received the Treasurer's report of his meeting with the other Treasurers concerning the form of entertainment to be given to members of the Commonwealth Legal Conference, which was approved." [p. 173]

Upon considering a report of the Buildings Committee it was resolved as follows

(1) That the contract with Messrs. Dove Brothers concerning the repairs to the Hall roof be signed subject to Mr. Clapham being satisfied on the two points raised by Mr. Rimmer.

(2) That the recommendation of the Buildings Committee concerning the closing of the Stone Buildings Gates be adjourned to the next Council Meeting in order to ascertain the legal rights of Proprietors in New Square. In the meantime the gates are not to be opened to vehicular traffic unless and until the Council otherwise direct. [p. 173]

"Upon considering the question of the election of an Honorary Bencher the proposal that the Hon. T. Clifton Webb, Q.C., High Commissioner for New Zealand should be an Honorary Bencher was withdrawn." [pp. 173, 174]

"Upon considering a communication from Lord Jessel for the loan of the portrait of his grandfather, Sir George Jessel, Master of the Rolls, for the Anglo Jewish Art and History Exhibition to be held in 1956 at the Victoria and Albert Museum Ordered that the request be acceded to subject to suitable arrangements being made with regard to insurance." [p. 174]

Granted an application from the British Broadcasting Corporation to be allowed the use of the Old Hall for the broadcast of a medieval disputation on March 28th next. [p. 174]

Adjourned Council held on March 16th, 1955. [p. 175]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Edward Clarke [pp. 173, 178]

Upon receiving a communication from Mr. Justice Vaisey concerning the announcement preceding Grace in Hall, it was ordered that the following form of announcement be used: [p. 178]

"Silence Ladies and Gentlemen, if you please."

Received the following report by Mr. Justice Danckwerts in respect of rights of way in connection with the Proprietors of Chambers in New Square, Lincoln's Inn, which was approved.

REPORT ON RIGHTS OF WAY

The Lincoln's Inn Act 1860 deals with an Agreement made in 1682 between the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn, and Henry Serle and regulates the future Government and Regulation of New Square (formerly called "Serle's Court"). The following parts of the Act appear to be relevant on the question of easements.

1. In the recitals there is a reference to the Gateway leading from New Square, on the south side, having been formerly a carriage way but being in 1860 only a footway; there is a reference to an arched footway leading into Serle Street between Nos. 9 and 10 New Square which by 1860 had been closed, and there is a reference to the making in 1845 of a new and very wide carriageway into Lincoln's Inn from Lincoln's Inn Fields on the occasion of the building of the New Hall and Library.

2. In the recitals, it is also stated that "the Gates for the time being leading into the said quadrangle" (i.e. New Square) "have always been kept by the Porters of the said Society" (Lincoln's Inn) "and the times of opening and shutting thereof have always been regulated by Orders of the Masters of the Bench of the said society."

3. By section 1 it is provided that the Chambers in New Square are to remain vested in the (then) present proprietors thereof "together with all such rights and easements over the uncovered space of ground (including the ornamental garden) now known as New Square, Lincoln's Inn, aforesaid and all such other rights and easements, not inconsistent with the Provisions of this Act, as the present owners and proprietors of the said Chambers now possess or are entitled to."

4. But section 9 of the Act provides that

"the same Area, ornamental garden, paths, ways, passages, shops, vacant space, ways, hereditaments and premises, inclusive, as aforesaid, and the Proprietors, Owners, and Occupiers for the time being of the said Sets of Chambers, shall, for the purpose of maintaining order and regularity, and preventing and removing nuisances and annoyances, be subject to the government, control, management, Rules and Regulations of the said Society, in the same manner in every respect as such ancient part of Lincoln's Inn as aforesaid, and the Occupiers of Chambers therein is and are now subject thereto Provided always that this Enactment shall not have the effect of altering the limits of the extra-parochial Township of Lincoln's Inn, constituted or defined by Acts of Parliament passed in the years 1829 and 1847 respectively, or of the Parish or Parishes in which the premises hereby situate are vested: Provided also that nothing herein contained shall prejudice or in any way affect the exercise of the said Proprietors and the Occupiers of the said Chambers of any existing right of way over the paths, ways and passages hereby vested or declared to be vested in the said Society, but such right shall nevertheless be exercised subject to such Regulations as the said Treasurer and Masters of the Bench may make from time to time with respect to the times hours and

days at and upon which the gates and entrances to New Square shall be open and closed."

My conclusion is that if the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn decide for the purpose of preventing nuisances and annoyance that the iron gates leading into Chancery Lane by Stone Buildings, should after reconstruction, remain closed generally, except for a footway, it will be difficult for any proprietor or occupier of Chambers in New Square to make any effective objection. [pp. 176-178]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee, presenting a letter from the Surveyor, Mr. Clapham, to the Under Treasurer

THE OLD GATEWAY

We have now heard from the Architects Department to the London County Council that as there is no intention seriously to alter the character of the building the Council does not consider that it is necessary for a decision to be made by the Council, and the Council proposes to offer no observations on the proposed work, but the architect to the Council thanks us for having informed him of the proposals.

It would appear therefore, that there can be no reason to hold up the proposed work, but you will notice that the Council is careful not to support the proposals, but to remain entirely independent, so that if there should be any complaints from the public when it is seen what major restoration is contemplated, it will not be possible for the Masters of the Bench to say that the approval of the London County Council was first obtained. This is the same attitude as was adopted by both the Ministry of Works and the Ministry of Housing, neither Ministry was prepared to say that the work was unnecessary or undesirable, and neither Ministry expressed an opinion in support of the restoration, although the representatives of both Ministries agreed verbally that the structure as it now exists is not worthy of preservation as an historical monument.

We have therefore continued with the preparation of the working drawings upon the assumption that the reconstruction will proceed in accordance with the proposals set out in the preliminary report, but, of course, subject to competitive tenders which will be put before the Masters of the Bench in due course.

In view of the fact that the building should be made income producing as soon as possible, we are hoping to commence work before the Long Vacation, but I think it would be most unwise to commence the demolition of the existing structure before an adequate supply of suitable bricks is available on the site because it would be courting criticism if we were to take down the dangerous brickwork only to find that we were obliged to leave the structure in that condition because we could not obtain the necessary materials for the erection. [pp. 178-180]

Upon considering the following report of the Chapel Committee.

- (1) It was recommended that two recitals of sacred music be held in the Chapel with a view to the second being broadcast if possible and that the sum of £100 be authorised to be expended in respect thereof.
- (2) Recommend that the Rev. Michael Stancliffe be re-appointed Preacher for a period of three years from Easter Term
- (3) Recommend that for a trial period Barristers of the Inn who have attended Sunday Services in Chapel may then join the Benchers at luncheon [subject to conditions]

Resolved: that item 1 be referred back to the Finance Committee with power to act; that item 2 be agreed to; and item 3 be referred back to the Chapel Committee who will consult the Bar Liaison Committee. [pp. 181, 182]

"Upon receiving a communication from the Royal College of Surgeons of England offering to this Society the use of their Hall whilst our Great Hall is undergoing repairs Order that the Treasurer do write to the Royal College of Surgeons thanking them for their offer and saying that if occasion arose we will communicate with them." [p. 182]

Council held on April 20th, 1955. [p. 184]
Thirty Benchers present.

Upon considering the list of books presented to the Society Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to write to the Treasurer of the Middle Temple concerning their gift of a first edition 1635 of *Mare Clausum* by John Selden. [p. 185]

Council held on May 12th, 1955. [p. 189]
Thirty Benchers present.

Ordered that the following report of the Finance Committee be approved and authority was given to the Finance Committee to prepare and approve for execution by the Trustees a contract for the purchase of Messrs. Studd & Millington Limited's leasehold interest in 76a and 76b Chancery Lane.

1. Recommend the purchase of the leasehold interest of 76a and 76b Chancery Lane at £10,750 ...
2. Recommend the expenditure of £228 on providing a wood preservative for the Great Hall roof timbers.
3. Recommend that up to £500 be expended in cleaning the Fresco and an attempt be made to recover part of the expenditure as War Damage. [pp. 189, 190]

Considered the following report of the Library Committee

On consideration of a letter from Professor Hollond concerning the photostatting of the Black Books, Approved in principle and recommended to Council subject to the question of the cost of further copies as to which a report is to be obtained for the next meeting of Council.

Ordered that the application be approved subject to steps being taken

- (1) for the safe custody of the Black Books during their absence
- (2) that the negatives be retained by this Society
- (3) that the copyright be retained by this Society. [p. 191]

Approved the following report of the Cocktail Party Committee

Recommend that the Cocktail Party be held in the Old Hall on Tuesday 12th July, from 5.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.

That Messrs Gunters' estimate be accepted for catering

That the prices of tickets be as follows

Single	12/6
Double	£1
Additional	15/- each. [p. 191]

Council held on June 8th, 1955. [p. 193]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Received the following report of the Bench and Bar Liaison Committee

1. Upon considering a recommendation from the Chapel Committee consequent upon a reference from the Council that consideration be given to the question of barristers attending Sunday luncheon after service in Chapel: Recommend to the Council that barristers of the Inn who have attended Sunday service in the Chapel may then join the Benchers at luncheon subject to the following conditions

- (a) The number of barristers present at any one luncheon shall be at the discretion of the Treasurer
- (b) No barrister shall without the Treasurer's leave exercise the said privilege more than once during any one of the Sittings and in no case on the occasion of the Warburton Lecture
- (c) The barrister may introduce and accompany at luncheon his or her wife or husband, son or daughter
- (d) The barrister shall give to the Under Treasurer not less than four days written notice stating his intention to be present and the name of the guest, if any, who will accompany him or her
- (e) The charge for luncheon shall be the same as that made to Benchers, i.e. 12/6 per head.

2. Recommend to the Council that barristers of the Inn be accorded the privilege of holding a Ladies Night upon a date and terms yet to be fixed.

Ordered that item No. 1 be approved and that as to item No. 2 Council approve in principle but refer the matter to the Finance Committee to settle the terms. [pp. 193, 194]

Council held on June 30th, 1955. [p. 198]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the gift of a silver paper knife presented by Herman Victor Rabagliati, Esq., Q.C." [p. 200]

Received the following report of the Garden Committee.

Upon considering the Head Gardener's resignation the Committee Recommend to the Council

- (1) That leave be given to offer a flat when engaging a new Head Gardener
- (2) That authority be given for a third gardener to be engaged
- (3) That the offer made by certain occupiers of Chambers in New Square to subscribe towards the cost of the New Square Garden be referred to Council.

It was thereupon Ordered

- (1) That leave be given to the Garden Committee to intimate that accommodation would be offered when available and that the Buildings Committee bear this in mind
- (2) Refer to the Finance Committee
- (3) That the offer is appreciated but not accepted. [p. 202]

Read the following report of the Chapel Committee

Upon considering arrangements to be made on Sunday, 24th July for Members of the Commonwealth Legal Conference it is Recommended that a suitable number of Commonwealth delegates be invited to lunch

It was thereupon Ordered that the recommendation be approved and it was left to the Dean of the Chapel to decide as to the numbers to be invited. [p. 203]

Upon considering the arrangements to be made for the visit of the Commonwealth and Empire Law Conference Ordered that a special Guest Day be appointed for the 26th July, the arrangements to be in the hands of the Treasurer and the Under Treasurer. [p. 203]

Adjourned Council held on July 28th, 1955. [p. 204]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

Ordered that it be referred to the Students Committee to consider the question whether any and if so what book or books should be presented to students or those called to the Bar at this Inn on:

- (a) Advocacy and Ethics
- (b) History of the Inn. [p. 204]

Adjourned Council held on October 10th, 1955. [p. 208]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

"Received an offer by Dr. Anthony Storr to present to the Society a Grandfather Clock in memory of his father the late Canon V.F. Storr, a former Preacher to this Society. Ordered that the clock be accepted and that the Treasurer write a letter of thanks. The position of the clock to be decided by Mr. Justice Harman." [p. 210]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Rt. Hon. Lord Alness, an Honorary Bencher of this Society." [p. 211]

Council held on November 2nd, 1955. [p. 212]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Officers for 1956: [p. 214]

Treasurer: His Honour Judge Daynes, Q.C.

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Roxburgh

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Evershed, M.R.

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Harman

Master of the Walks: Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, Esq., Q.C.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

(1) Received the Under Treasurer's report on negotiations with the Inland Revenue with reference to Deferred Maintenance in respect of the repairs carried out to Stone Buildings and 11 New Square which have resulted in a successful claim being made for a refund of Income Tax on £66,000, the estimated benefit to the Society being approximately £30,000. The Committee offered its warm congratulations to the Under Treasurer on the success of his negotiations.

(2) Received the report of the Under Treasurer that the purchase of the Lease of 76a Chancery Lane had been completed, the purchase price being £10,750.

(3) Consequent upon the resignation of Miss C.V. O'May, confirmed the promotion of Miss V.H.V. Perrett as senior typist in the Under Treasurer's Office at a salary of £8 per week, and the appointment of Miss H.F. Price as second typist at a salary of £7 per week. [pp. 212, 213]

Adopted the following report of the Garden Committee

Recommend to Council the removal of the plane tree on the south end of New Square garden, and to put in either a crab apple tree or a lilac tree. [p. 213]

Council held on November 24th, 1955. [p. 217]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"Upon a motion of the Treasurer it was ordered that a Tea Party be given to Students of this Society after each Term. It was left to the Under Treasurer to make the necessary arrangements." [p. 218]

"Ordered that the question as to a Royal Bencher be postponed until the first day of next Term." [p. 219]

Adjourned Council held on December 19th, 1955. [p. 220]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Recommend to Council "that Messrs. Holliday & Greenwood's estimate of £19,050 for the rebuilding of the North Tower of the Old Gateway be accepted." [p. 221]

Adopted the following report of the Buildings Committee; with the additional Order that the two remaining thorn trees in New Square be removed.

Upon considering a letter from the Surveyor for making good the depression in the roadway outside No. 8 New Square Recommend to Council that on building grounds the thorn tree by the depression be cut down. [pp. 221, 222]

Treasurer: William Cleveland-Stevens, C.M.G., Q.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 24 Rt. Hon. Sir Malcolm Macnaghten, K.B.E.
2. March 4 Wilfred Gordon Brown, O.B.E.

Biographical notes

2. Brown. b.1879. Company lawyer. Editor of Buckley on the Companies Acts.

Edward Clarke was elected following the death of Sir Malcolm Macnaghten.

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Council held on January 18th, 1956. [p. 223]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Sub-Committee on the admission of students.

REPORT OF STUDENTS' SUB-COMMITTEE ON ADMISSIONS

1. Your Sub-Committee was appointed on the 25th November 1954 to consider and report "Whether the principles at present applied for regulating the admission of students to this Inn are the best that can be devised." The real question that lies behind this wording is "Would the Inn benefit from a reduction in the number of students of non-European origin (below referred to, for brevity, as 'coloured students')?"

2. Since our appointment we have had the whole matter under constant and anxious review, and assistance in dealing with it has been sought in many quarters; but we have been unable to find sufficient evidence to justify a suggestion that the principles mentioned above should be altered.

3. The feeling that led to our appointment was, we think, not so much that the Inn was admitting too many coloured students as that their disproportionate numbers made the Inn less attractive to "white" students, in particular to those from Oxford and Cambridge.

4. It cannot, of course, be denied that because of the very large number of our coloured students the Inn has in some quarters come to be regarded as the Black Inn. But this complexion is by no means a recent⁷ development; as long ago as 1925 the Inn called 39 coloured students out of a total of 70. Nor is the dark complexion, though undoubtedly much more conspicuous here than in the other Inns, confined to Lincoln's Inn. In 1953 the Middle Temple admitted 125 coloured students as against 108 from this country.

5. But the great number of these coloured students is not in itself an objection. It may be, as we hope to show later, a positive advantage. It is only objectionable if it was a prejudicial effect on the number and quality of the "white" students and neither of the Honorary Benchers at Oxford and Cambridge respectively, when asked why the Inn does not attract its fair share of students from these Universities, mentioned the number of coloured students as one of the reasons. And indeed, whatever our previous apprehensions may have been, a careful examination of the position here and a comparison with that in the other Inns, have led us to the conclusion that there should be no serious ground for anxiety.

6. The number of "white" students who intend to practise has for years been fairly constant in Lincoln's Inn no less than in the other Inns. Of the class to which we have directed particular attention viz. the students from Oxford and Cambridge, Lincoln's Inn called 18 (10 and 8) in 1925, 25 (15 and 10) in 1953, 25 (13 and 12) in 1954 and 24 (18 and 6) in 1955. And as regards this class it must be remembered that in recent years money considerations have tended to divert to the City many of the "desirable" young men who in earlier days would have made the Bar their profession, and further that social and economic changes resulting from the two Wars, including a lavish system of State and Local Authority grants, have attracted to the Bar an increasing number of people from the secondary schools and the provincial universities.

7. It must also be remembered that Lincoln's Inn has for a long time been regarded as primarily the Inn for practitioners in the very limited field of equity, with the almost inevitable consequence that (overseas students apart) its membership is smaller than that of any of the other Inns in whose chambers the young barrister can range over the whole field of the law. It is moreover worth observing that notwithstanding the greater choice of work offered in the Inner Temple and in spite of its rigorous attitude to the admission of coloured students its admissions of "white" students were only a fraction more numerous than those to Lincoln's Inn (in 1953 80 against our 76). It seems not unreasonable to conclude that just as the admission of coloured students does not lead to a diminution of "whites", so the exclusion of the former students does not lead to an increase of the latter.

8. The main points in favour of continuing the present system may be summarised as follows:

(a) Our coloured students bring in a very large annual income. On admission every student pays a little over £100. In the past three years the

admissions of coloured students have averaged not less than 250. This means that for each of these years the Inn has received from them some £25,000 tax free. It is true that about £50 out of this £100 odd is a deposit returnable on Call, but its place is then taken by a Call fee of £50. The value to the Inn of these deposits is well known. The coloured student is rarely called under four years from his admission and the Inn enjoys the deposit and the interest on it during all that period. The deposits have played an important part in financing the Inn's rebuilding schemes and by this means Bank overdrafts and the consequent interest payments have been kept within reasonable limits.

(b) It is, we think, generally agreed that the residence in this country of so many students from all parts of the Commonwealth with the education in English notions of decent behaviour and in a regard for law and justice which, consciously or unconsciously, many of them cannot fail to acquire, must be an influence for good not only by strengthening the ties between the Mother country and their lands but also by improving the quality and character of the administration of their laws, by raising the standard of honour among their practitioners and by infusing a purer spirit into the governance of their lands.

9. But although we can find nothing to justify an alteration of the principles regulating Admissions, we think it is for consideration by the Students Committee whether these principles might not with advantage be applied with a rather freer and wider discretion, particularly as regards the type of applicant. This matter will be of greater importance than ever when the Colonial Office, on whose scrutiny of candidates the Students Committee largely relies, is replaced by committees staffed by natives from the colonies concerned.

Council Ordered that it be referred to the Students Committee to consider what steps, if any, could be taken to increase the number of students from British Universities. The Students Committee were also requested to report as to the educational standards at present required from persons seeking admission to the Inn and to make any recommendations they think desirable. [pp. 223-227]

"Ordered that Mr. Justice Pearce be appointed until further order to be Keeper of the Benchers Portrait Book." [p. 228]

Council held on February 8th, 1956. [p. 229]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Upon considering the following report of the Garden Committee

(1) Upon considering the Gardener's report concerning the plane tree on the south-east corner of the drive Resolved to recommend to Council that this tree be cut down as soon as practicable

(2) Upon considering the New Square flower beds, trees and pond Resolved to make two oblong rosebeds running north and south and a small circular bed with petunias where the plane tree has been cut down

over south end of New Square. New trees (*Malus Aldenhamensis*, lilac and *Prunus*) to be planted on west side of New Square. The roses round the pond to be replaced by geraniums. Further that a fountain in the pond be investigated.

(3) Upon considering the Kitchen Garden in New Square Resolved to plant roses (*Independence*) in bed on west side of this garden.¹ [pp. 231, 232]

Adjourned Council held on March 22nd, 1956. [p. 233]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Thomas Keble Wigan [pp. 232, 238]

Adopted the following report of the Students Sub-Committee appointed to consider and report on the educational standards at present required from persons seeking admission to the Inn and to make any recommendations they thought desirable

The existing practice of the Students Committee in regard to knowledge of Latin, is to grant dispensation in those cases only in which the applicant is an Overseas Student who has passed a satisfactory examination in an alternative language and has also proved by his performance in a recognised examination that he has a good knowledge of English. We do not recommend any departure from this practice but we think the Committee's inquiries would be greatly facilitated if a list could be obtained from the various bodies whose certificates are likely to be relied on of the subjects required for a certificate and the number of subjects that must be taken at one time. [p. 234]

Upon considering the following report of the Finance Committee

(1) [Investments]

(2) Upon considering the following recommendation from the Students Sub-Committee appointed to consider as to what steps, if any, could be taken to increase the number of students from British Universities, it was recommended to the Finance Committee that a sum of £10,000 be set aside on charitable trusts with a view to its being used to help the education of students and thereby attract to Lincoln's Inn students from British Universities. A list is being prepared of members of Lincoln's Inn who are dons at such universities so that they can be informed (perhaps in confidence) of any suitable cases.

The Finance Committee approve and recommend in principle (except that a covenant would be preferable to a capital sum) up to a limit of £2000 per annum and subject to a satisfactory scheme being framed.

¹ It does not appear whether Council specifically adopted, varied or rejected the Garden Committee's report.

(3) The Committee approve the following report of the Buildings Committee

(a) For the Hall, we recommend the acceptance of Vanpouille's estimate for curtains (as per sample) with the pelmet carrying Arms of the Inn (as per drawings) at approximate cost of £162.5.0 plus approximately £10 for rail and lath

(b) We recommend that the existing carpet in the vestibule should be drawn up to the top of the ramp and terminated at the vestibule gates and that the wings to the Drawing Room and Council Chamber should be replaced with carpet taken away from the Library side of the gates

(c) We recommend that all carpet on the Library side of the gates should be replaced by linoleum and that a new mat should be obtained for the entrance door and that estimates should be obtained for the linoleum and mat

[(d)] Recommend to the Finance Committee the purchase of one hundred chairs for the Dining Hall of the same design as those recently purchased

(4) [Retirement of R. Wolley, a night porter]

Council Ordered that the report be approved. It was further Resolved that it be referred back to the Students Sub-Committee to consider and submit a scheme for the use of the Covenanted Fund . . . It was also Resolved to refer back to the Buildings Committee the carrying out of the furnishing for necessary action. [pp. 236–238]

“Granted the application from the Holborn District Guides for the use of the Gardens on the occasion of their Annual Sports on Saturday 2nd June next, subject to no totem or other poles being fixed in the Gardens.” [p. 244]

Upon considering the Treasurer's report of the Lord Chancellor's meeting with the Treasurers of the four Inns of Court Resolved that the Treasurer be requested to inform the Lord Chancellor that the Inn will entertain 750 Delegates at Dinner and that it is suggested that wines be purchaseable duty free. [p. 244]

Council held on April 12th, 1956. [p. 245]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 236, 251]

Hon. Benjamin Ludlow Bathurst, Q.C.

Upon considering a communication from the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings concerning the Old Gateway, and a letter from Mr. Clapham, Surveyor to the Society with reference thereto; it was Resolved (a) That both letters be entered in the Black Book and that a letter be sent to the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings on the lines read out by the Treasurer, and (b) That no other action be taken

FROM THE SECRETARY OF THE SOCIETY FOR THE
PROTECTION OF ANCIENT BUILDINGS

16th March 1956

The Society is fully conscious of the care and attention with which the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn cares for its buildings and their surroundings. It is therefore with some dismay that the Society has received a number of enquiries and complaints about the demolition of the gateway which it understands is now in progress, and also that no attempt is being made to save the old bricks.

As you well know, buildings of this date, and particularly diaper brickwork are extremely rare in London and it is therefore of the utmost importance that as far as possible it should be preserved in situ. Although the Society realises that you no doubt have good reason for undertaking this work at the same time it wonders if you would allow our architect to discuss this matter with you and your architect so that it may be in full possession of the facts.

FROM THE SURVEYOR TO THE UNDER TREASURER

10th April 1956

I have not replied formally to your letter of the 27th March enclosing a copy of a letter received from the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings because since receiving your letter the position of the patient deteriorated seriously and several further specialists had to be called to express their opinion.

I do not fully understand what occurred behind the scenes and the first intimation I received was an urgent telephone message from the Deputy Architect to the London County Council asking me as a matter of courtesy to attend a meeting between the Ministry of Housing and Local Government and the London County Council to discuss the repairs to the Gateway. Apparently representations had been made to the Minister at a high level, probably by the local member of Parliament, that an act of vandalism had been carried out and the Minister had found that his department had not been consulted before the demolition had taken place.

This in fact was incorrect because we had not only informed the Ministry and also the Ministry of Works and had confirmed this in writing to the London County Council upon the 15th February 1955, but the London County Council when authorising the work had intimated that they would notify the Ministry of Housing and Local Government. In fact the London County Council forgot to do so and any quarrel which there may have been was between the Ministry and the London County Council and not between the Ministry and ourselves; for that reason the London County Council asked us to attend the meeting as a matter of courtesy.

I attended the meeting at which the following were present.

Mr. J.E.M. Macgregor F.S.A., F.R.I.B.A.

Architectural Consultant to Ministry of Housing etc.

Mr. S.J. Garton, E.S.A., L.R.I.B.A.

Adviser on Ancient Buildings to the Ministry

Mr. W.A. Eden, M.A., F.S.A., F.R.I.B.A.

Adviser on Ancient Buildings to the L.C.C.

Mr. T.A. Baldwin, A.M.T.Pl., A.R.I.B.A. (L.C.C.)

The meeting lasted a considerable time during which the representatives of the Ministry inspected the preliminary plans, specification, and new plans and also examined the materials which we proposed to use. They pointed out that it would have been possible to preserve the gateway by erecting a steel frame or re-inforced concrete framework within the existing building to which the old brickwork could have been tied and you will recollect that this method was adopted at No. 11 New Square. When I pointed out that it would have been difficult to adopt such a method in a small confined space and that the cost would have been excessive having regard to the reduced floor area available for a letting, the Ministry representatives replied that they were more concerned with the preservation of an ancient building than with the economic return likely to be derived from the restoration.

Mr. Eden of the London County Council whose department had authorised the work was, perhaps naturally, on our side and pointed out that he had examined the proposals at the outset and was satisfied that the condition of the gateway was so bad that it would not have been a practical proposition to carry out the restoration especially as it was undesirable that the void space at the back of the gateway should be left; he went on to say that whether it was right or wrong to pull down the structure the fact remained that it was down and it only remained to decide how it should be rebuilt.

We pointed out that we had been to considerable trouble to match the existing bricks, that they would be purpose made for the job, of suitable colour, size and moulded to match the original. To my surprise the experts from the Ministry felt that to match the new work with the existing would be in the nature of a fake and they felt it would be better to construct a new building to harmonize with the old rather than to make an exact match. This point of view seems to me to be as lacking in reality as the suggestion that we might have preserved the existing structure. If we erect a new building different from but harmonizing with the old it means that for many years until the other half is rebuilt there must be an incongruous appearance to the gateway.

In this matter of rebuilding the experts from the Ministry of Housing appear to differ considerably from the experts with whom we have discussed the matter from the Ancient Monuments Section of the Ministry of Works. The latter were strongly opposed to any tinting of the brickwork of Nos. 22 and 23 Old Buildings so as to make it blend less obtrusively with the old work and they were also anxious that the rebuilt gateway should match the old work. Now the experts from the Ministry of Housing feel, and I thoroughly agree with them, that some tinting of Nos. 22 and 23 Old Buildings is permissible to make the new work harmonize with the old and they have no objection if some tinting is carried out to the gateway to make the new work match the old although they would prefer the new work to be different from the old.

We found that the Ministry experts unbeknown to us had taken away bricks during the demolition but they agreed with us that these old bricks were quite useless and could not be used in the manner suggested by the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings.

This Society is, so far as I can gather, a self-appointed body with no legal standing, but able to create a considerable amount of publicity if it feels that its dignity is not being recognised. The meetings with various Ministry Officers have been protracted and in detail, and I am somewhat reluctant to go into the whole matter with an architect appointed by the Society. I suggest, therefore, that you might inform the Society that the question of the rebuilding has been discussed at length with representatives of the London County Council, the Ministry of Works and the Ministry of Housing and Local Government all of whom are skilled in work of this nature. [pp. 247, 251]

Received the following report of E.J. Rimmer, Q.C., and Edward Clarke on their check of the Society's silver.

In accordance with the Council's direction we made a complete check of the silver of all classes set forth in the Inventory. The last previous check had been made in 1942 but although a record of the silver then missing at that time was made, no alteration had been made in the inventory itself. The position as we found it was as follows

Under the Festival Plate Inventory there are missing

A gold snuff box with the following inscription: "The Benchers of Lincoln's Inn from John Pearson, Bencher 1867; Judge 1882; Treasurer 1885; died May 13th, 1886."

A silver cup presented by C.A. Kirby, Esq.¹

There is nothing to indicate how these pieces have been lost, but it is noted in the inventory that in August 1943 there was a theft of certain pieces and the Under Treasurer thinks it is probable that the gold snuff box was stolen at that time.

Under the Bench Table Silver Inventory, there is missing

5 threaded forks: 1 (1786); 1 (1830); 1 (1860); 2 (1934)
 28 small spoons: 4 (1816); 1 (1838); 3 (1886); 20 (1909)
 2 dessert forks: 1 (1838); 1 (1934)
 5 silver handled knives: 3 unidentified; 2 (1934); (plus 7 damaged)
 1 small fork (1934)
 4 silver handled cheese knives: 1 (1934); 3 (unidentified)
 6 table spoons: 3 (1848); 3 (1909)
 1 silver carving knife: (1839)
 4 fish forks: (1934)
 3 decanter labels: 2 port (1845, 1851); 1 sherry (1822)
 1 salt spoon (1840)
 9 tea spoons: 1 (1822); 3 (1836); 5 (1909)
 6 silver mounted corks: 1 (1845); 2 (1860); 3 plain

¹ This cup was subsequently found.

Under the Bar Table inventory there are missing

1 table fork: (1845)
4 dessert forks (1934)
3 fish forks (1934); 1 small fork
1 table spoon (1838)
1 dessert knife; 3 pepper tops
2 plated nut crackers

Under the Students Table inventory there are missing

1 table spoon (1845)
7 table forks: 6 (1840); 1 (1845)
7 dessert spoons: (1864)
1 soup ladle: (1910) plated

A total of about 100 pieces are missing out of a total of about 3700 pieces. A number of these pieces were missing in 1942 We suggest that the Inventory should now be amended to record only the silver found by us.

We think the method of storing the silver in fifteen to twenty wooden boxes, and for table silver, in open trays, is unsatisfactory and we recommend that the Buildings Committee should be asked to advise upon the practicability of establishing one strong room in which the whole of the silver, large and small, could be kept and exhibited when desired. There is a room 20' x 15' (next to the room in which the silver is washed) which we think, could be adapted as a strong room for the purpose at reasonable cost.

Council Ordered that the report and recommendations be approved and that the police be informed of the loss of the Gold Snuff Box. It was also Ordered that the last paragraph of the report be referred to the Buildings Committee for consideration and report. [*pp.* 252–254]

Council held on May 3rd, 1956. [p. 257]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

“Received the Treasurer’s report of an offer from the Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton, M.C. of a Prize Fund. Ordered that it be referred to the Sub-Committee of the Students Committee to consider and prepare a suitable scheme.” [*p.* 258]

“Upon considering a communication from the Honorary Secretary of the Joint Committee of the Four Inns of Court formed for the purpose of discussing matters of common interest with the Committee of the General Council of the Bar Ordered that instructions be given to the representatives of Lincoln’s Inn that uniformity of practice by the four Inns is most desirable but that Lincoln’s Inn reserves its opinion on the questions raised until after the meeting of the Joint Committee.” [*pp.* 258, 259]

Council held on May 30th, 1956. [p. 260]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

"Accepted the gift of three dozen silver coffee spoons given by Charles Leonard Fawell, Esq. D.S.C., a Bencher of this Honourable Society." [p. 260]

"Upon considering a communication from the Royal Society of Portrait Painters asking to be allowed to have a copy made of the portrait of the late Viscount Haldane by Fiddes Watt which it is intended to present to the Imperial College Resolved that the request be approved in principle and that the Under Treasurer be authorised to make satisfactory arrangements." [p. 261]

"Upon considering a communication from the President of the Royal Academy asking for the loan of the portrait of Sir Richard Raynsford by Soest in connection with an exhibition of British Portraits ranging from the 16th to the 20th century It was Ordered that the request be acceded to and that the Under Treasurer be authorised to carry out the necessary arrangements with the Royal Academy." [pp. 264, 265]

Council held on June 21st, 1956. [p. 269]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

"Resolved to invite Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret as a Royal Bencher." [p. 269]

"Upon considering a communication from the Royal Academy of Arts concerning the reproduction of the portrait of Sir Richard Raynsford by Soest, Resolved that permission be given for such reproduction to be made provided that the reproduction shows that the picture is the property of the Inn and that all rights are reserved." [p. 270]

"Accepted with thanks the gift by Claude Kirby Esquire of a bronze bust of the late A.R. Kirby Esquire by Lady Kennet."¹ [p. 270]

Ordered that an application from the Charter Film Productions Ltd to be allowed to film in the Inn during either July, August or September of this year be refused. [pp. 270, 271]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following item

- (3) Recommend an increase of fine on invitation to the Bench to £210. Recommend free dinners on Rota nights for those who attend on duty. [p. 271]

Adopted the following report of the Garden Committee

It is recommended that the May tree on the west side of the Square be removed. It was further resolved that the tree prepared to be cut down be cut into logs and put into the grates of the Drawing Room and Council Room during the summer. [p. 271]

¹ For a promise of a bequest of this bust, see *ante*, p. 299..

Adjourned Council held on July 24th, 1956. [p. 273]
 Thirty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Edward Blanshard Stamp [pp. 270, 275]

Read the following communication to the Treasurer from the Treasurer to Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother writing on behalf of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret

"I am desired by Princess Margaret to thank you for your letter of July 3rd and to say that she will be most happy to accept the invitation of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn to become a Master of the Bench.

"Her Royal Highness wishes me to add that she greatly looks forward to making the acquaintance of her fellow Benchers."

It was thereupon Ordered that the Treasurer be authorised to make suitable arrangements for Her Royal Highness' first visit. [p. 274]

Received the following report of the Buildings Committee

1. Upon considering the Surveyor's report on the Lincoln's Inn Fields gate Resolved to approve in principle the alternative (4) viz. iron gates to cost about £1000 and recommend to Council that Mr. Clapham be asked to prepare detailed drawings
2. Upon considering the report from Council concerning the construction of a silver room Recommend to Council that Mr. Clapham be instructed to prepare detailed drawings
3. Recommend to Council that the small Benchers lavatory be redecorated and equipped with all suitable amenities

It was thereupon Ordered (1) that the Surveyor be authorised to prepare detailed drawings of an iron gate (2) that the question of the silver room be referred to the Finance Committee, and (3) that the Vice-Chairman of the Buildings Committee be authorised to proceed with the necessary redecoration. [pp. 275, 276]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following item

Recommend to Council that the balances of the legacies made by the late Viscount Hailsham and Sir Harry Trelawney Eve, amounting to £14.0.6 and £74.16.5 respectively, be expended on wine. [p. 276]

Received the report of the Dean of the Chapel that the Right Hon. Bishop Wand has accepted the appointment of Warburton Lecturer. [p. 278]

Granted an application by T. Humphrey Tilling on behalf of an American film company for permission to take interior scenes in Lincoln's Inn in connection with the film of Agatha Christie's play "Witness for the Prosecution" subject to the details and time being approved by the Under Treasurer. [p. 279]

Adjourned Council held on October 4th, 1956. [p. 280]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"Received the Treasurer's report that Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret will make her first visit to Lincoln's Inn on the 29th November, 1956, on which occasion she will be Called to the Bar and published to the Bench. Authority was given for the purchase of a silk gown for Her Royal Highness." [p. 280]

"Ordered that upon the occasion of the Bar Musical Society concert on October 25th, 1956, Sir Thomas Beecham be allowed to hold a rehearsal on that day in the Great Hall. To facilitate this it was Ordered that arrangements be made for Benchers to lunch in the Council Room and Barristers in the Refreshment Room and that the Students Common Room be shut for that day." [p. 283]

"Upon considering a Petition from the Inns of Court Students Union concerning the adoption of a Lincoln's Inn tie Ordered that the choice of such tie be left to the Treasurer." [p. 283]

Council held on November 7th, 1956. [p. 284]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

"The Treasurer moved the following motion: that the Standing Orders be suspended so far as necessary to enable appropriate arrangements to be made for the Call to the Bar followed by publication to the Bench of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret, which was carried." [p. 284]

"In accordance with Standing Order 28(1) the Treasurer moved the following motion: that the Standing Orders be suspended so far as may be necessary to enable the consideration of the election as a Bencher of the Rt. Hon. Viscount Hailsham, Q.C. to proceed, which was carried." [p. 286]

Called to the Bench: [pp. 282, 286, 287]

The Rt. Hon. Quintin McGarel, Viscount Hailsham, Q.C.

Officers for 1957: [p. 286]

Treasurer: Hon. Mr. Justice Roxburgh

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Evershed, M.R.

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Harman

Keeper of the Black Book: Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, Q.C.

Master of the Walks: George Rivers Blanco White, Q.C.

Upon considering a communication from the General Council of the Bar requesting that a representative of the Society be appointed to take part in the general discussions concerning the Convention of the American Bar Association for 1957: Ordered that a representative be sent from Lincoln's Inn to be selected by Mr. Justice Roxburgh. [p. 285]

Granted a request from the General Council of the Bar asking for the use of the Old Hall for Joint Meetings of the American Bar Association on the 25th and 26th July 1957. [p. 285]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

Upon considering reference from Council concerning the question of a Silver Room, it is recommended that the room be constructed at a cost not exceeding £1500

Upon considering the reference from the Buildings Committee concerning the installation of new gates in Lincoln's Inn Fields entrance Recommended to Council that these new gates be erected.

Adopted the report of the Buildings Committee which Recommended to the Finance Committee and to Council the acceptance of Mr. Clapham's drawings for the new Lincoln's Inn Fields Gate. [pp. 285, 286]

Upon considering communications from the Foreign Office for the loan of (a) Sir Edward Coke's First Institute (1628), and (b) "The Peoples (Ancient and Just) Liberties asserted in the Tryal of William Penn and William Mead" for exhibition at the Jamestown Festival in Virginia in 1957 Ordered that the loan of these two volumes be agreed, the question of insurance and packing to be the responsibility of the Foreign Office. [p. 287]

The Treasurer, without proposing any Resolution, called the attention of Council to the prevailing impression amongst judges of County Courts that appointment to the County Court Bench automatically excluded a Judge from being considered for appointment to Benchership. It was pointed out, however, that a Judge of County Courts, like one of Her Majesty's Ministers, would be excluded under Standing Orders as not being a person practising at the Bar but that it was always open to suspend Standing Orders in order to elect any such person whom the Council might think proper to elect and that any proposal to suspend Standing Orders for this purpose would be carefully considered on its merits. [pp. 287, 288]

Council held on November 29th, 1956. [p. 292]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

Upon consideration of the resignation of the Preacher, the Rev. Michael Stancliffe

(a) Recommend to Council that Mr. Stancliffe be given the courtesy of the Bench Table at dinner and luncheon (on terms charged to Benchers) and the use of the Library

(b) The Dean will make inquiries of Bishop Wand and Archdeacon Gibbs Smith

"Accepted with thanks the gift by Miss E. Maitland of Professor Maitland's Ames Medal. It was further Ordered that a letter of thanks be written to Miss Maitland by the Treasurer." [p. 294]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the gift of three ivory decanter rings." [p. 294]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1956. [p. 295]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Received the Treasurer's report concerning the visit of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret on the 29th November, 1956.

*From the Assistant Private Secretary
to Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother*

I have been bidden by Princess Margaret to write and tell you how very much she enjoyed her visit to Lincoln's Inn yesterday. Her Royal Highness thought that the ceremony of being called to the Bar and published as a Bencher was both charming and dignified and she was most touched by the spontaneous and genuine welcome with which she was received into your ancient and Honourable Society.

It also gave the Princess the greatest pleasure to meet and talk with her distinguished fellow-Benchers during the course of the evening and she felt that the sparkle of the conversation, a judicious blending of wit and learning, perfectly matched the excellence of the delicious food and wine which were served at Dinner and Dessert.

I am to express to you Her Royal Highness' pride at becoming a Bencher of your great Inn, her sincere thanks for having arranged such a delightful evening, and her hope that this visit will be but the first of many.

From the Treasurer

I feel that I cannot omit to reply to your letter of November 30th. There are three things which I would like to say. First, the gracious message which your letter conveyed from Her Royal Highness, gave great pleasure to my fellow Benchers and myself. Next, I count myself extremely fortunate in that her reception as Barrister and Bencher of Lincoln's Inn occurred during my Treasurership. Thirdly, we all echo the hope that Princess Margaret's visit will be the first of many.

It was further Ordered that a note of the procedure for calling for Port be placed in the Drawing Room. [pp. 295-297]

Upon consideration of a communication from Sir Garfield Barwick, Q.C., concerning the provision of a stone bearing the arms of this Society to be placed in the wall of the new building of the Bar Association of New South Wales. Ordered that this Inn assent in principle [provided that] (1) the other Inns agree and (2) all four Coats of Arms be done by the same man.

It was further ordered that Sir Garfield Barwick be asked to note that Lincoln's Inn is the Senior Inn and that its arms should be placed in the premier position accordingly. It was referred to the Buildings Committee to work out the details in co-operation with the other Inns, and then to the Finance Committee. [pp. 297, 298]

Upon considering the following report of the Garden Committee

1. Recommend the purchase of Bath's Superb Greenhouse Model H for £79.15 to be erected by the Works Department on a 2' brick wall and an electric heater to be installed.
2. Potting shed at N.W. corner of the garden now roofed and completed.
3. As to admitting public to gardens. Decided to close door near Library between 12 noon and 2.30 p.m., and to remove the notice. The question of substituting warning notices for the other existing notices to be considered before Easter.

Ordered that items 1 and 2 be approved but that item 3 be postponed for further consideration to the second Council of next term and that in the meantime the matter be referred back to the Garden Committee for report on the reasons for closing the Garden gate. [*p.* 299]

Treasurer: His Honour Judge Norman Daynes, Q.C.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. February 1 Sir Hubert Houldsworth, Bt., Q.C.
2. March 11 Arthur Eustace Russell
3. April 22 H.H. Gerard Moysesby Thoroton Hildyard, Q.C.
4. June 5 Edward Ackroyd
5. August 15 Wilfrid Fabian Waite

Biographical notes

2. Russell. b.1866. Conveyancing Counsel to the Crown. Worked in the chambers of Wolstenholme. Last survivor of the group of conveyancers under Sir Benjamin Cherry who prepared the Property Acts of 1925.

3. Hildyard. b.1874. Master in Lunacy, 1923-1928.

5. Waite. b.1874. A sound knowledge of the law and his penetrating common sense ensured a sound and steady practice at the Chancery Bar. He was Counsel to the Board of Trade on foreshore cases and appeared frequently for the Official Solicitor. He was noted for outrageous remarks often prefaced by the words "As my dear Mother used to say." His stage whispers in Court were notorious. He was seriously wounded in the first world war and always walked with a stick. (Obituary in *The Times* August 18, 1956, contributed by Sir Harold Danckwerts).

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Thomas Keble Wigan
 2. Hon. Benjamin Bathurst, Q.C.
 3. Council directed vacancy not to be filled
 4. Edward Blanshard Stamp
 5. Rt. Hon. Viscount Hailsham, Q.C.
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Council held on January 16th, 1957. [p. 301]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

"Upon considering the question of the privileges of the Preacher Ordered that Mr. Stancliffe be entitled to invite a guest on Guest Days." [p. 302]

Adopted the report of the Buildings Committee

Ordered that the Treasurer's Arms be placed on the obverse side of the new Lincoln's Inn Fields Gates, the details to be approved by the Treasurer, Mr. Justice Danckwerts and Mr. Arthur Cole.

Upon consideration of a request of Messrs. Rider Heaton & Co for the installation of a further set of swing doors at the outer end of the entrance porch of 8 New Square Recommend to Council that the matter of installation of such doors in New Square be approved in principle on the footing that (a) the expense is not thrown on the Society but is borne by the persons interested (b) the design is approved by the Buildings Committee. [pp. 302, 303]

Council held on February 7th, 1957. [p. 306]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

"Upon considering the question as to the next visit of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret Ordered that the Treasurer be authorised to invite Her Royal Highness to dinner on any night during Dining Term with the exception of a Call Night, Friday or Saturday." [p. 307]

Received the Treasurer's report that on the occasion of the visit of the American Bar Association to this country in July, 1957, dinners will be held in the Hall on the 24th, 25th, and 26th July. It was further resolved that some members of the Bar should be invited. It was referred to the Finance Committee to consider the question of charges; the questions of menus and wines was referred to the Kitchen Committee and the Wine Committee respectively. Recommendations of the Liaison Committee of the four Inns of Court and the Bar Council were approved. [pp. 307, 308]

"Granted the application made on behalf of the President of the Columbia Law School Association for the use of the Hall and Benchers Rooms for a luncheon for their members on Saturday, 27th July 1957." [p. 308]

"Ordered that the Lincoln's Inn tie as approved, may be worn by all members of the Inn." [p. 308]

Adopted the report of the Garden Committee

Upon considering a reference from Council of 18th December that the question of closing the Garden Gates be referred back to the Garden Committee: the voting on a resolution to close the gardens to the public was four in favour and four against. The resolution was therefore not carried. It was resolved that the wicket gate be closed altogether and that

the small iron gate be repaired and a notice put up "To Hall and Library only." It was also resolved that an additional lock should be affixed to the wicket gate and keys sold to members and tenants for use when the gate was not secured by the main lock. It was also resolved that the notice on the terrace lawn "Members Only" be replaced. [*pp.* 308, 309]

Adjourned Council held on March 14th, 1957. [p. 310]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"Received the Treasurer's report that the next visit of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret will take place on Tuesday 12th November, 1957, and the arrangements to be similar in pattern as on the occasion of Her Royal Highness's last visit." [*p.* 310]

Received the following report of the Buildings Committee

- (a) Recommend the report of the Surveyor concerning the re-building of the north boundary wall and to the removal of the black poplar tree in the north east corner of the Garden.
- (b) Recommend that the installation of the new Lincoln's Inn Fields Gates be postponed until the Long Vacation; that the work of making the gates be proceeded with; that when the Lincoln's Inn Fields Gates are being erected, temporary entrance to the Inn be by the Under Treasurer's residence.
- (c) Recommend acceptance of the Under Treasurer's report concerning his negotiations with the Law Fire Insurance Society regarding the loss of the Society's silver.

It was thereupon Ordered that so far as item (a) was concerned, authority be given to Mr. Clapham, the Society's Surveyor

1. to proceed with the preparation of a site survey, working drawings and specification to obtain tenders
2. to employ a quantity surveyor whose fees will be paid by the Commission, and
3. to approach the London County Council and the adjoining owners regarding any agreements which may be required.

In connection with item 3 it was agreed that the words "Regarding the removal of the tree" be omitted

Items (b) and (c) were agreed and accepted respectively. [*p.* 312]

"Granted the application by Miss N. Harrison for the use of the Gardens for the Brownie Revels on the 6th July, 1957." [*p.* 314]

Adjourned Council held on April 9th, 1957. [p. 315]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Ronald Robert Antony Walker. [*pp.* 313, 317]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following item

(a) With reference to the visit of the American Bar Association estimates were considered from the Kitchen and Wine Committees amounting to £1600 and £1200 respectively, excluding cigars. Recommend to Council that no charge be made for Benchers or Barristers attending the dinners. [p. 316]

Upon the motion of the Treasurer Ordered that the Chief Justice of the United States of America be granted the privileges of the Bench during the visit of the American Bar Association in July 1957.

The question of speeches on the occasion of the dinners for the American Bar Association was left to the discretion of the Treasurer. [p. 316]

The Treasurer reported that he had received a communication from His Honour Sir Gerald Hurst, Q.C. offering seventy-five copies of his book on Lincoln's Inn¹ for distribution as gifts to the Dominion and foreign visitors. Ordered that the gift be accepted. [p. 316]

Upon considering a disciplinary matter Ordered that the first hearing be held on 5th June next and that the person concerned be notified accordingly. Further Ordered that the charges against the Barrister concerned be formulated by Mr. Justice Harman, and Mr. N.R. Fox-Andrews, Esq., Q.C. in conjunction with the solicitors and counsel engaged in this matter, and forwarded by the Under Treasurer. [p. 317]

Upon receiving a communication from the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar concerning a deputation to discuss etiquette of the Bar and discipline. Ordered that it be agreed to receive a deputation on a date to be fixed by the Treasurer. [p. 317]

"Granted an application from the Chief Justice of Northern Rhodesia to be allowed to incorporate the Arms of this Society on a plaque in the new High Court, Lusaka." [p. 318]

Council held on May 1st, 1957. [p. 319]

Twenty Benchers present.

Read the summary of the minutes of the Adjourned Council held on 9th April 1957. Arising out of these minutes the Treasurer read to the Council a letter sent to Mr. Marrinan in connection with the charges made against him of behaviour unbecoming a gentleman and a barrister, and Mr. Marrinan's reply thereto. It was thereupon ordered that Mr. Marrinan be informed that it was most desirable that his Counsel should attend the Council appointed to be held on the 5th June next as the procedural matters to be settled may affect counsel's convenience [p. 319]

¹ *A Short History of Lincoln's Inn* (1946).

Council held on May 23rd, 1957. [p. 323]

Thirty Benchers present.

Upon considering a communication from Sir Garfield Barwick, Q.C. asking that the Rt. Hon. Lord Morton of Henryton be authorised to hand over formally the stones and crests provided by the four Inns of Court in connection with the new building being erected by the Bar of New South Wales Ordered that subject to the approval of the other Inns the appropriate authority be given. [*pp.* 324, 325]

"Ordered that sherry and so forth be provided on the occasion of the Bench Meeting to receive the deputation from the General Council of the Bar." [*p.* 325]

Considered the following report of the Pictures Committee

Recommend to Council that the Inn should commission Mr. Norman Hepple, A.R.A. to paint a picture of the Lincoln's Inn members of the Court of Appeal, 1957.

It was thereupon Ordered that the recommendation be approved in principle subject to the limit of an expenditure of One Thousand Guineas and that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee. [*pp.* 325, 326]

"Resolved to accept a gift of £100 from T.D.S. Benson, Esq.¹, a barrister of this Society and that the matter be referred to a sub-committee to be chosen by the Treasurer." [*p.* 326]

Council held on May 30th, 1957, to meet a deputation from the General Council of the Bar. [*pp.* 328-330]**Council held on June 19th, 1957. [*p.* 331]**

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"Upon considering the action to be taken consequent upon discussions with a deputation of the General Council of the Bar concerning etiquette and discipline of the Bar the following motion was moved by the Hon. Charles Russell, Q.C. and seconded by Edward Clarke, Esq.

Approve in principle a system by which disciplinary authority over barristers be entrusted to a Joint Disciplinary Board of the four Inns in lieu of Benchers of individual Inns and that a sub-committee be appointed to consider the best method of giving effect to this policy

which was carried with one dissentient." [*p.* 332]

Upon considering a request from the Wine Committee that the Council should determine whether port or brandy shall be served at the dinners to the American Bar Association Ordered that if possible the same arrangements as the other [Inns] be adopted otherwise it is preferred that wood port and brandy be served. [*p.* 335]

¹ Mr. Theophilus Dwolabi Shobowale Benson, then aged 25, was admitted to the Society as a student on February 1st, 1944 from Nigeria.

"Ordered that Sir Gerald Kelly, K.C.V.O., PP.R.A. be granted the loan of the portrait of the Right Honourable Viscount Simonds for his exhibition to be held at the Royal Academy in October next." [p. 336]

"Granted the application made on behalf of the Finsbury Group Boy Scouts Association for the use of the Gardens for their sports to be held on Saturday, 28th September, 1957." [p. 336]

"Granted the application made on behalf of the Finsbury District Girl Guides for the use of the Gardens for their sports on Saturday, 5th October, 1957." [p. 337]

Special Council held on 5th, 27th-29th June and 1st and 2nd July, 1957.

The Treasurer and eighteen other Benchers, after hearing charges in public against Mr. P.A. Marrinan, a member of this Inn and a practising barrister, Ordered that he be disbarred and expelled from the Society. [pp. 340-345; see Appendix 5]

Council held on July 11th, 1957. [p. 346]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Authorised the Discipline Committee To instruct solicitors and counsel on behalf of the Inn to deal with the appeal to the Lord Chancellor brought by P.A. Marrinan." [p. 346]

"Granted the application of 'Life' Magazine to be allowed to take photographs in Hall on the occasion of the visit of the American Bar Association but that they are not to assume that such permission is exclusive." [p. 348]

"Ordered that the offer of Professor Graveson to sell to the Society for the sum of forty guineas his copy of the portrait of Sir Henry Spelman be accepted subject to the matter being referred to the Finance Committee for their consideration." [p. 348]

Adjourned Council held on July 30th, 1957. [p. 349]

Twenty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Waldo William Porges, Q.C. [pp. 336, 347, 351]

Ordered the proposals of Lord Justice Pearce for moots to be held in Hall after dinner in Dining Terms be adopted in accordance with Lord Justice Pearce's letter which follows

I am worried (as you are I think and some others) by the fact our total lack of moots is said by some (e.g. Hollond) to be a deterrent to would-be students.

If Council authorises it, I should be prepared as an experiment to conduct moots on my rota night each term for the coming year on the lines set out in the notes hereto. Liberty to apply if any substantial divergence therefrom be wanted.

I think a tribunal of three is the ideal number for moots and Harold Christie, Edward Clarke and Bertie Lindon have very kindly said they would co-operate. No doubt we can easily get help from others so as to have a different tribunal in alternate terms, or, if thought fit, to increase the number of moots, but I think one a term is enough to start with. I suggest that at the end of the year we should make a report on the whole subject to Council.

I think it is an advantage to keep the matter flexible in its initial stage at all events and leave it to the volunteers at first to work out their own practice and procedure. [pp. 350, 351]

"Upon receiving the Treasurer's report of the visit of the American Bar Association it was Ordered that a vote of thanks be passed to the Under Treasurer and his staff, to the Head Butler and his staff, and to the Chef and his staff." [p. 351]

Received the Chief Porter's report of an accident to Mr. P.H. Ortt who was knocked down by a car driven by Mr. K.J.T. Elphinstone in New Square on Friday 26th July. [p. 352, 353]

Adjourned Council held on October 1st, 1957. [p. 356]

Thirty Benchers present.

"Granted the application of Roneo Limited to be allowed to make drawings in Lincoln's Inn for incorporation in a brochure to commemorate their fiftieth anniversary."¹ [p. 357]

Council held on November 6th, 1957. [p. 359]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"Received the Treasurer's report concerning the arrangements for the forthcoming visit of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret." [p. 359]

Upon considering the question as to the representation of universities on the Bench Ordered that the matter stand over until the first Council of next term. In the meantime instruct the Under Treasurer to prepare a list of members of the Inn who are teachers of law at Oxford, Cambridge and London Universities. [p. 360]

"Resolved to give a tea party for the Students of the Society on the 12th or 13th February next, and that it be left to the Kitchen Committee to make the necessary arrangements." [p. 360]

"Resolved to give a Staff party on the 18th December next for which the Under Treasurer was authorised to spend up to £110." [p. 360]

Upon considering an application from Mrs. K. Jones on behalf of Mrs. D. Healey for a licence to carry on the business of a fruiterer at the Old Gateway, Chancery Lane. Ordered that Mrs. Healey be granted a revocable licence under

¹ The Society does not appear to have any copy of this brochure in its possession.

similar terms to that granted to her late husband.¹ It was further resolved that Mrs. Jones be informed that the licence will be revoked in the event of Mrs. Healey's death. [p. 361]

"Granted an application from the Inns of Court Students Union for the use of the Old Hall on Monday 25th November next for the holding of a retrial of the celebrated Scottish case of Madeleine Smith, subject to no television recording being made." [p. 362]

Council held on November 27th, 1957. [p. 366]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Richard Lionel Edwards, Q.C. [pp. 360, 371]

Thomas Arthur Collier Burgess. [pp. 360, 372]

Officers for 1958: [p. 371]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Evershed, M.R.

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Harman

Dean of the Chapel: Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, Q.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: George Rivers Blanco White, Q.C.

Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr. Justice Wynn Parry

Upon consideration of the question as to Arms to be placed in the Hall, Ordered that the Treasurer be authorised to communicate with Major Legh, Assistant Private Secretary to Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother with a view to obtaining the permission of Her Royal Highness, the Princess Margaret, to place her Arms in the Hall.

It was further Resolved that the question of putting up in the Hall the Arms of Viscount Hailsham and to carrying out various alterations to existing Arms be referred to the Pictures Committee, the cost in each case to be borne by the Inn. [pp. 366, 367]

"Granted the request of the Middle Temple for a limited number (48) of their members to be allowed to lunch in Lincoln's Inn Hall during the week from the 2nd to 6th December when the Middle Temple Hall is being used for the Hilary Bar Examinations." [p. 372]

Adjourned Council held on December 19th, 1957. [p. 373]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Arising out of the minutes [of the last meeting] the Treasurer reported that Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret had expressed her delight to have her Arms placed in the Hall but that approval must be obtained from Her Majesty the Queen through the Home Office. [p. 373]

The Treasurer also reported the conversation he had had with Mr. Butler of Messrs. Charles Russell and Co. concerning their being engaged to act for Sir Hartley Shawcross and others in an action to be brought against them by Mr. P.A. Marrinan to which, of course, the Inn had no objection. [pp. 373, 374]

¹ See *ante*, pp. 229, 233 (1925) for the original grant.

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

Upon considering the appointment of a Preacher defer consideration until Dr. Philp has been heard unless he declines to preach on the 26th January or the 3rd February. In this event recommend that Canon Marcus Knight be offered the appointment. [p. 374]

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

Adopted the report of the Buildings Committee with reference to the purchase of the basement and ground floors north, No. 2 New Square. The Buildings Committee recommended to the Finance Committee the acceptance of Mr. Clapham's report [suggesting] offering £7000 but [being] prepared to go up to £8500. It was further resolved to recommend the employment of the Society's Surveyor to carry on negotiations on the usual terms. [p. 375]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mr. G. Pichel-mayer, late Head Gardener to the Society." [p. 376]

Treasurer: Mr Justice Roxburgh

The following Benchers died during the year

1. March 6 Thomas Keble Wigan
2. June 10 William Cleveland-Stevens, C.M.G., Q.C.
3. October 11 Sir Philip Baker-Wilbraham, Bt., K.B.E.
4. October 27 His Honour Sir Gerald Hurst, Q.C.

Biographical notes

1. Wigan. b.1893. Conveyancing Counsel of the Court from 1949.
2. Cleveland-Stevens. b.1881. Director of the Council of Legal Education from 1939. Chancellor of three Dioceses.

Newly elected in place of those dying

1. Ronald Robert Anthony Walker
2. Waldo Porges, Q.C.
3. Richard Lionel Edwards, Q.C.
4. Thomas Arthur Collier Burgess

1958

Council held on January 15th, 1958. [p. 377]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

"Received the Treasurer's report that Her Majesty the Queen had been graciously pleased to signify her consent to the Arms of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret being put up in the Hall. It was thereupon Ordered that the matter be referred to the Pictures Committee to carry out the necessary arrangements." [p. 377]

As regards University representatives to be invited to become Honorary members of the Bench in the future, it was Resolved

- (a) that such representatives should not be invited to join the Bench for limited periods only;
- (b) that invitations should not be sent to persons who are members of the Inner Temple, the Middle Temple and Gray's Inn, (but not so as thereby to exclude suitable persons who are not members of any of the English Inns of Court);
- (c) that invitations should not be extended to young members of the staffs of the universities or their colleges but should be extended to persons qualified (as heretofore) by their standing to receive such invitations;
- (d) without prejudice to the general principle of the preceding resolution that (i) preference should in general be given to those holding university rather than college appointments, and (ii) particular regard should be had to the Universities of Oxford, Cambridge and London; and
- (e) that upon the election hereafter of any university representative to the Bench, consideration should be given to a variation in his case of Standing Orders in the same manner as the variation of which notice of motion is to be given in the cases of Professor Hollond, Professor Goodhart and Professor Cheshire or otherwise as may be thought appropriate. [pp. 378, 379]

"Received a communication and enclosures from Sir Garfield Barwick concerning the placement in the new chambers of the New South Wales Bar of the stones bearing the arms of the four Inns of Court and also of the historic stones given by the several Inns. Ordered that these documents be preserved among our records and that the Treasurer be authorised to write to Sir Garfield Barwick." [p. 379]

"Arising on the items 'List of Books' the Treasurer was authorised to write a letter of thanks to the State of Louisiana for their gift of 'Louisiana Legal Archives' and 'Louisiana Revised Statutes 1950'." [p. 380]

Council held on February 6th, 1958. [p. 384]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

The Treasurer moved the following motion.

That the Standing Orders be varied to the effect that

H.A. Hollond, D.S.O., O.B.E.

A.L. Goodhart, K.B.E. (Hon.), Q.C., D.C.L., and

G.C. Cheshire, D.C.L.

be entitled

(i) to receive notice of and to attend and vote at all Council meetings, and

(ii) to serve on Committees of the Council

upon which the Council resolved accordingly. [pp. 384, 385]

Adopted the recommendation of the Chapel Committee that the Rev. Roy McKay be invited to become the Society's Preacher for a year in the first instance. [p. 385]

Adjourned Council held on March 12th, 1958. [p. 389]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Fenton Atkinson, Q.C. [pp. 384, 393]

Read the following report of the Finance Committee

Upon considering a communication from the International Commission of Jurists, the Hague, referred from the Library Committee, concerning a donation: Resolved that it would be a departure from the previous practice of the Inn to subscribe to a body of this character but the matter be referred to the Council without recommendation.

It was thereupon Resolved that the Inn make no donation. [p. 390]

Considered the report of the Joint Disciplinary Committee held Wednesday the 19th February 1958 which included the following extracts

The Chairman (Lord Somervell of Harrow) summarised the conclusion of the last meeting. The Committee had welcomed the suggestion that the Bar Council should prosecute; and that efforts should be made to secure uniformity of procedure. The Committee were not agreed as to the desirability or practicability of the delegation of disciplinary powers to a joint committee. The Attorney General and the Chairman of the Bar Council said that they would wish to reconsider the question of the Council acting as prosecutor since, as put forward in their aide-memoire, this was dependent on the acceptance of the delegation to a joint committee. Discussion followed and it was generally agreed

That in disciplinary matters the Inns should work in co-operation with the Bar Council

On the suggestion for a joint disciplinary committee it was generally agreed that the establishment of a joint disciplinary committee be not considered at present.

There was discussion as to the desirability of uniformity of procedure, and various suggestions were made. It was moved by the Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn and seconded by Edward Clarke that a sub-committee be appointed to report on procedure [which was agreed, and a sub-committee established.]

Accepted with thanks the offer of the Hon. Mrs. Eric Bailey to present to the Society a portrait of her grandfather, the Rt. Hon. Lord Cozens-Hardy, M.R. by R.G. Eves.¹ [p. 394]

¹ See *ante*, p. 221 (1924) for an earlier offer of a portrait of Lord Cozens-Hardy, M.R.

Council held on April 16th, 1958. [p. 395]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Received the following report of the Chapel Committee

Upon considering the question of the decorations of the Chapel: Resolved that the Treasurer ask the Council for authority for a scheme of improvement outlined in a letter written by Mr. Clapham at a cost of not more than £2.500.

It was also resolved that the precedence of Canon Stancliffe when dining in Hall be eleventh of those Benchers present.

It was thereupon ordered

(a) that the recommendations of the Chapel Committee concerning decorations to the Chapel be approved and that the matter be referred to the Chapel Committee and Finance Committee to work out a scheme.

(b) Approved that the precedence of Canon Stancliffe be eleventh of those Benchers dining. [pp. 395, 396]

Upon considering a communication from the Central Office of Information to take a film in the Hall of the Ceremony of being Called to the Bar and of a Moot Trial, Ordered that the necessary consent be given subject to reasonably satisfactory arrangements being made by the Treasurer. [p. 397]

Council held on May 8th, 1958. [p. 398]

Thirty Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported that 'A Short Adjournment' painted by Norman Hepple, A.R.A. had been completed and was now hanging in the Academy. The Treasurer further reported that Professor Goodhart had contributed 250 guineas towards the cost. [p. 398]

"Ordered that the Right Hon. Sir Owen Dixon G.C.M.G. be given the privileges of the Bench during his stay in this country. [p. 400]

Council held on June 5th, 1958. [p. 401]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

"Ordered that the report and recommendations on Practical Professional Training submitted to the Four Inns of Court by the Council of Legal Education be approved." [pp. 402, 403]

"Upon considering the report of the Finance Committee with reference to an appeal on behalf of Oxford University for a new law library it was Resolved that the Inn contribute up to £250 *pari passu* with the other Inns." [p. 403]

"Upon considering a communication from the London County Council concerning the provision of entertainment in Lincoln's Inn Fields during the school summer holidays Ordered that discretion be vested in the Treasurer to deal with the matter as he thinks best." [pp. 403, 404]

"It was Resolved that an invitation be conveyed to Sir Fred Pritchard, Head of the Inns of Court School of Law, to lunch at the Bench Table at Lincoln's Inn."¹ [p. 404]

Council held on June 26th, 1958. [p. 405]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

"Ordered that the next Benchers Ladies Night be held on Wednesday 22nd October and that the date of the Barristers Ladies Night be settled by the Treasurer after the Under Treasurer has discussed the matter with the Bar Liaison Committee. It was further Resolved that in future there should be two Benchers Ladies Nights a year." [p. 406]

"The Treasurer reported the gift of £200 from A.H. Droop, Esq. as a contribution towards the picture 'A Short Adjournment' by Norman Hepple, A.R.A." [p. 407]

"The Treasurer read a report from the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Pearce concerning Moots. The suggestions contained in the report were accepted. It was agreed to continue to hold one Moot per term and that Lord Justice Pearce should continue to conduct the Moots for one more year." [p. 407]

Adjourned Council held on July 2nd, 1958. [p. 411]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Read the following communication of the Council of Legal Education concerning the date on which the provisions of the Practical Professional Training Scheme should operate which was approved.

As the four Inns of Court have approved the Council's report and recommendations on Practical Professional Training, the only outstanding matter to be settled is the date on which the new provisions are to be brought into operation.

.....

The Council feels that having decided on these new requirements they should be brought into effect as soon as is reasonably and fairly possible. The preliminary work on the part of the Inns will be the reprinting of the Declaration Forms to be signed by Students before Call so as to include the new undertaking. . . . On the part of the Council arrangements must be made to begin a Home Post Final Course as soon as it is required. It is felt that on the first occasion particularly as the new routine will not be well known there might not be enough time between Call Day on November 25th and the proposed commencement of the course in January for a search for Chambers to be undertaken and (failing a satisfactory arrangement for pupillage) for an application to the Bench concerned for approval of the substitution of the Council's course. It

¹ Sir Fred Eills Pritchard (1899–1982). Judge of the High Court (Queen's Bench Division) 1947–1953; resigned owing to ill-health. Treasurer, Middle Temple, 1964.

therefore seems better to start the first Home Post-final course in late June or early July ... having brought the new provisions into operation on the first day of Easter Sitzings namely the 7th April, 1959. This would affect Easter Call Day on the 28th April which normally has the shortest list and is therefore appropriate for the start of the new procedure.... [pp. 411-413]

Ordered that the following report and recommendations of the Finance Committee be approved.

1. On considering the Treasurer's Accounts for the year ended 10th January 1958 refer to the Kitchen Committee to consider Establishment Account with a view to considering and recommending economies and increases in charges; subject thereto Accounts received and passed.
2. On consideration of a present to the Treasurer, Vice Chairman authorised to bring matter to the attention of this Council.
3. On considering the following recommendations from the Buildings Committee: Recommend

(a) Rebuilding the whole of the west wall from Lincoln's Inn Fields Gate to Wicket Gate at a cost of £4,812 plus Surveyor's charges.

(b) Recommend that Nos. 1 to 6 Stone Buildings staircases be dealt with by the Buildings Committee within their existing budget.

(c) Recommend alterations to Treasury Office and that they be carried out with such modifications as can be made to reduce the cost.

4. On considering a recommendation from the Chapel Committee that the estimate for redecorating the Chapel from Trollope and Colls amounting to £2,696 plus 10% Surveyors fees be accepted. Recommend to Council that amount of work covered by Trollope and Colls tender be undertaken.

..... [pp. 416, 417]

Received the report of the Dean of the Chapel that the Bishop of Norwich had accepted the appointment of Warburton Lecturer from Michaelmas Term 1958. [pp. 417, 418]

"Granted the application of Dr. E.W. Ives of the University of Birmingham to be allowed to have a microfilm made of the contents of the Black Books for the years 1422 to 1530 subject to the reservation of copyright." [p. 418]

"Granted the application of the Courtauld Institute of Art to be allowed to photograph the pictures belonging to the Society subject to the conditions being agreed and that the copyright be reserved." [p. 418]

Ordered that Mr. Justice Wynn Parry, Lord Justice Pearce and the Hon. Denys B. Buckley be appointed a sub-committee to consider what can be done for Students. [p. 419]

Adjourned Council held on October 6th, 1958. [p. 420]

Forty Benchers present.

Ordered that the final draft of the Joint Disciplinary Procedure Committee be adopted. [pp. 421, 422]

"Received with regret a communication from the Preacher to the Society, the Rev. Canon Roy McKay tendering his resignation as Preacher from the end of Hilary Term 1959." [p. 428]

"Accepted with thanks the gift of a photo-copying machine together with the necessary equipment for development from Barnett Hollander, Esq., a tenant of this Society, to whom the Master of the Library was requested to write a letter of thanks." [pp. 428, 429]

Council held on November 5th, 1958 [p. 433]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Officers for 1959: [p. 436]

Treasurer: Hon. Mr. Justice Harman

Master of the Library: Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, Q.C.

Dean of the Chapel: George Rivers Blanco White, Q.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Wynn Parry

Master of the Walks: Hon. Mr. Justice Danckwerts

Received the Treasurer's report on the arrangements for the visit of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret on the 26th November, 1958. [p. 433]

Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee

1. As to the appointment of the Preacher

After some discussion it was resolved that the Preacher should invite Canon David Edwards and Mr. D. Tasker to preach at Lincoln's Inn.

2. To confirm the joint service with the Inns of Court Regiment on Remembrance Sunday, 9th November, 1958.

The Preacher produced a form of service for the occasion which was approved. It was left to the Dean of the Chapel and the Preacher to complete the necessary arrangements with the Inns of Court Regiment.

It was resolved that Col. Coates, the Adjutant and the Padre of the Regiment be invited to luncheon with their respective wives and the Dean of the Chapel undertook to convey the invitation.

So far as the lessons were concerned, it was agreed that Col. Coates read the First Lesson and the Second Lesson be read by the Treasurer in accordance with custom.

3. As to the decorations in Chapel

General approval was expressed on the result of the decorations carried out in the Chapel during the long vacation. The cost amounting to

£2,634.11s.10d included small additional work thus showing a saving of £63.8s.2d. over the contract sum and it was Ordered that the first page of Messrs. Pinckney & Gott's report should be submitted to the Council for inclusion in the Black Book.

It was resolved that the Treasurer should write to the families of the late Viscount Maugham and Viscount Hailsham concerning the reinstatement of the West window. [p. 434]

"Ordered that a proposal as to Treasurer's expenses be approved in principle and that it be referred to the Finance Committee to report to the Council with proposals." [p. 436]

LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL

Report on work carried out during summer vacation 1958 under the supervision of Messrs. Pinckney and Gott, 7 Gray's Inn Square.

Ceiling. The old acoustic felt, which had been fixed to the wooden ceiling panels, was removed and replaced by 3/4 "Treperac" acoustic sheets fixed with rust-proof screws and painted with emulsion paint shade "Flame". The wooden arches and ribs were cleaned down and painted two coats of flat oil paint shade "Birch Grey" and certain moulding picked out in white. The bosses were gilded on the exposed surfaces.

Walls. The walls were cleaned down and given one coat of sealer and two coats of water paint shade "Cobweb" mixed with equal parts of white.

Carved shields. Carved shields were painted in their correct heraldic colours from information supplied by Mr. Arthur Cole.

Windows. The stone work was cleaned by wire brushing and the glass washed inside and out.

Organ Case. The oak woodwork of the organ case, which has been stained dark, was bleached to its natural colour and waxed. The carved angels and paterae were gilded. The visible organ pipes were painted a light metallic bronze with the exception of those which had previously been decorated; these were cleaned and varnished. All parts of the organ which were liable to damage during the work were protected with sheeting put in position by the organ builders.

Choir Platform. The platform which had been built up over the central part of the organ was removed to improve the lighting from the West window. The large radiator which stood up in front of the window was replaced with a coil of 4" pipes. The open panels of the gallery front were filled in with oak faced plywood, replacing the red baize curtains.

Electrical Work. Copper covered wiring was put in to provide concealed lighting behind the cornice. Two socket outlets were provided in each bay and 2 2ft. fluorescent tubes were fixed in each of the two eastern bays on each side. It was intended that similar tubes should be fitted along each side at a future date. Two 200 watt flood lights were fixed behind the arches to light the Altar. The temporary wiring under the organ gallery was removed and new fittings provided. [pp. 435, 436]

Council held on November 27th, 1958. [p. 442]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee

Upon considering the reference from Council of the 5th November, 1958, that consideration be given to a Treasurer's Honorarium, the Committee recommend that, taking into account the expenses incurred by the Treasurer in the execution of his duties, that the Inn pay for guests of the Treasurer:

1. On Guest Nights and Sunday luncheons
2. At luncheon when, in accordance with practice, he invites guests in Hall to lunch and for the Treasurer on Sundays and Guest Nights.

This is to operate from the 1st October, 1958. [p. 443]

"On considering Mrs. Kennedy's Settlement (widow of the late Judge Kennedy) concerning the Ablington Property, accept surrender of property excluding the two cottages with gratitude. Refer to Finance Committee." [p. 443]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Tom Hodgkinson, late the Librarian of the Society."¹ [p. 443]

Granted an application on behalf of the International Astronautical Federation for use of the Hall for the Second Colloquium of the Federation on the law of Outer Space on the 15th September 1959, subject to satisfactory staff arrangements being made. [p. 444]

Adjourned Council held on December 17th, 1958. [p. 445]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

"Ordered that Patrick William Duff, Esq.² be invited to become an Honorary Bencher of this Society. If Mr. Duff accepts the invitation he is to be elected on the same terms as Professor Hollond and Professor Goodhart, i.e. he is to be at liberty to attend and vote at Council Meetings and such Committees as the Treasurer may direct." [p. 447]

"Received the report of the Discipline Committee except that it was Resolved to allow Mr. M. Taj Sethi to be heard but it was to be made quite clear to him that the Masters of the Bench did not admit he had any right to be heard." [pp. 446, 447]

"Upon considering the election of a Bencher it was Resolved not to proceed with the proposal." [p. 447]

Treasurer: Lord Evershed

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 16 His Honour Owen Thompson, Q.C.
2. March 23 Viscount Maugham

¹ Retired in December 1951; See *ante*, p. 565.

² (1901-1991) Regius Professor of Civil Law in the University of Cambridge 1945-1968.

Biographical notes

1. Thompson. b.1868. Chancery Bar. County Court Judge 1928-1940

Fenton Atkinson, Q.C. was elected in place of H.H. Owen Thompson, Q.C. No election was held to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Viscount Maugham.

1959

Council held on January 21st, 1959. [p. 449]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the resignation of George Rivers Blanco White, Q.C. as Dean of the Chapel. Consequent upon the resignation, the following appointments were made [p. 449]

Dean of the Chapel: Mr. Justice Wynn Parry

Keeper of the Black Book: Mr. Justice Danckwerts

Master of the Walks: Herman Victor Rabagliati, Q.C.

"Upon considering a communication from Messrs. Strutt & Parker, Loft & Warner concerning the Ablington House property at Bibury (the Kennedy bequest) Ordered that the matter be considered before the end of June." [pp. 450, 451]

Granted an application from the Colonial Office to be allowed the loan of two volumes of "Coke's First Institute" (1628) and "The Tryal of William Penn" (1760) for exhibition at the 350th anniversary celebrations being held in Bermuda this year. [p. 451]

"Granted the application made on behalf of the British Travel and Holidays Association to be allowed to take photographs of buildings with Dickens connection for an exhibition of photographs to be held in Amsterdam." [p. 452]

Council held on February 12th, 1959. [p. 457]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Adopted the following report of the Chapel Committee

"Upon consideration of the appointment of a Preacher to the Society Recommend to Council that the Right Rev. Bishop Simpson (late the Bishop of Southwark) be invited to hold the position for a period of two years from Easter Term, 1959." [p. 459]

Adjourned Council held on March 17th, 1959. [p. 461]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Right Hon. Makund Ramrao Jayakar, late an Honorary Benchers of this Society. [p. 462]

Received the following report of Mr. J.B. Lindon, Q.C. on the formation of Oxford and Cambridge Lincoln's Inn Societies

Arrangements have now been made for the formation of Oxford and Cambridge Lincoln's Inn Societies

1. *Oxford* Lord Denning has consented to be President of the Oxford Society; Professor Goodhart and Professor Cheshire will be Vice-Presidents. The Secretary will be Mr. Martin Buckley of Trinity. The first meeting will be a sherry party to be held at the Alington Room at University College at 6 p.m. on Thursday, 21st May 1959, at which Lord Denning hopes to be present. According to the Inn's records, there are 39 members of Lincoln's Inn resident at the University of whom about 25 or 26 are undergraduates.

2. *Cambridge* Lord Morton of Henryton has consented to be President of the Cambridge Society; Professor Hollond and Professor Duff being the Honorary Benchers resident in the University. The joint Secretaries will be Mr. M.B. Maltby of Pembroke (President of the C.U.B.C. and stroke in this year's Cambridge boat) and Mr. R. Walker of Trinity. The first meeting will be a sherry party to be held in Professor Hollond's rooms, 9 Neville Court, Trinity at 12 noon on Saturday, 9th May, 1959, at which the Lord Chief Justice hopes to be present. According to the Inn's records, there are not more than 14 members of Lincoln's Inn resident at the University of whom only 8 are undergraduates.

The Finance Committee has authorised expenditure to be increased in connection with these Societies and the Wine Committee has agreed to the dispatch of 6 dozen Spanish sherry for the purpose of the parties to be held this year.

3. It is hoped that Benchers will actively support these Societies so as to promote a closer contact between the members of the Inn at the Universities and in London and that they will, wherever possible, pay visits to the Universities when the meetings are held. It is expected that one meeting (in the form of a sherry party) will be held in each University term. [pp. 462, 463]

Council held on April 8th, 1959. [p. 465]

Twenty Benchers present.

"Granted an application made on behalf of the Holborn Guides and Brownies for use of the Gardens for their Guide Sports and Brownie Revels on Saturday, 30th May and Saturday, 6th June respectively, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., subject to no holes being made for poles &c., without permission of the Gardener." [p. 466]

Council held on April 30th, 1959. [p. 471]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"Arising out of the meeting of the Buildings Committee the Treasurer mentioned the possible re-building of the Under Treasurer's house and it was Ordered that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 473]

"Received a communication from the Meteorological Office seeking permission to erect a thermometer screen and rain gauge in New Square. It

was thereupon Ordered that the present proposal be rejected but that if any amended proposal should arise the matter is to be referred to the Garden Committee for report." [p. 473]

Council held on May 27th, 1959. [p. 474]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Reginald William Goff, Q.C. [pp. 472, 475]

"Ordered that Sir Carleton Kemp Allen, Q.C., D.C.L., be invited to become an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society." [p. 475]

"Upon considering the question of the Ablington property (His Honour Judge Kennedy's bequest) Ordered that a sub-committee ... be appointed to draft a letter to Mrs. Kennedy suggesting a visit by the Surveyor of the Inn or one of the Masters of the Bench." [p. 475]

Upon receiving a communication from the Bar Liaison Committee Ordered that a Cocktail or Garden Party be held in the latter part of July (the date to be selected by the Treasurer) ... [p. 476]

Council held on June 18th, 1959. [p. 479]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Received a verbal report from Lord Justice Pearce on the moots held in Hall during the past year. It was Resolved that Lord Justice Pearce should have carte blanche in connection with the arrangements made in respect of moots and that Mr. Raymond Jennings, Q.C. should be brought in with a view to ultimately taking over from Lord Justice Pearce. [p. 480]

The Treasurer reported to Council that he had received on behalf of the Inn a gift of £400. It was Resolved that the gift be gratefully accepted and donated to the first of the purposes suggested by the donor, namely "to be used for the Library for the purchase or binding or repair of books printed before 1800." [p. 480]

"The Treasurer raised the question as to the intake of students and it was Resolved that the Vice Chairman of the Students Committee be asked to keep an anxious eye on the problem." [p. 481]

"Upon considering a proposal that a dinner be given to the Law Tutors it was Resolved that a dinner be held in the first week of the Autumn dining term upon the footing that all the Law Tutors attending are to be treated as guests of the Inn." [p. 481]

Adjourned Council held on July 28th, 1959. [p. 482]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Private Secretary to Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret suggesting Wednesday, 18th November, for the visit of the Princess which was approved." [p. 482]

Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee of 1st July

It was resolved to record with thanks the offer of Mr. Justice Roxburgh to defray the cost of the central chandelier in the vestibule of the Chapel.

On considering the question of Communion Services to be held in Chapel it was Ordered that these be reduced to one in each year on a date to be arranged by the Preacher and the Dean of the Chapel.

Received the report of the Chapel Committee concerning an offer by the family of the late Viscount Maugham to re-glass the West window in accordance with a design submitted by Messrs. Pinckney and Gott. It was further Resolved to spend a sum not exceeding £150 to alter the heating pipes on the organ loft and for the consequent re-arrangement of two large wooden pipes at the back of the gallery. [pp. 483, 484]

Adjourned Council held on October 5th, 1959. [p. 488]

Thirty Benchers present.

Received the Treasurer's report concerning the Ablington property (the late Judge Kennedy's bequest). It was thereupon Ordered that the matter be remitted to the Finance Committee with the power to act. [p. 488]

Received the Treasurer's report on (a) the external repairs and decorations to 8, 9 and 10 Old Square (b) decorations to the Kitchen, and (c) west window of the Chapel. With regard to item (c), the question of the outer window of the west window of the Chapel was referred to the Chapel Committee. [pp. 488, 489]

Special Council held on October 20th, 1959. [p. 490]

Eleven Benchers present.

Jesco Manga-Williams, a Student of this Honourable Society, who had assigned his deposit of £100 paid on admission as a student in satisfaction of a debt due to his landlady for arrears of rent. Stood over till after the hearing of the case against this student at Clerkenwell County Court on 13th November next.

Council held on November 4th, 1959 [p. 491]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Officers for 1960: [p. 492]

Treasurer: Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, Q.C.

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Wynn Parry

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Danckwerts

Keeper of the Black Book: Hermon Victor Ragbagliati, Q.C.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Sir John William Fisher Beaumont, Q.C.

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following item:

2. Consequent upon the retirement of the Society's Head Butler, Mr. T.R. Welch, and the resignation of the Assistant Butler, Mr. E.W. Jones, Recommend the following appointments be made

Mr. F.W. O'Riordan, Assistant Butler at £600 p.a.

Mr. S.W. Breakwell, Third Butler at £550 p.a.

Adopted the report of the Chapel Committee

"Upon considering a reference from the Council of 5th October 1959, concerning the outer window of the west window of the Chapel, it was Ordered that the present iron bolts fitted to the outer casement windows be renewed in bronze and that the stonework around this window be repaired." [p. 492]

Council held on November 26th, 1959. [p. 496]

Nineteen Benchers present.

"Upon receiving the report of the Students Committee Ordered that it be referred to the Standing Joint Committee on the Duties, Interests and Discipline of the Bar to consider and report on the changes necessary to bring Consolidated Regulation 44 into conformity with present day conditions ..." [p. 496]

Special Council held on December 16th, 1959. [p. 499]

Eighteen Benchers present.

Further consideration of the case of J. Manga-Williams adjourned by Special Council on 20th October 1959. Mr. Manga-Williams appeared in person. Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to interview Mr. Manga-Williams with a view to expressing the disapproval of the Masters of the Bench at his action.

Adjourned Council held on December 16th, 1959. [p. 500]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Treasurer: Lord Justice Harman

The following Bencher died during the year

April 20 James Neville Gray, D.S.O., Q.C.

He was replaced by Reginald William Goff, Q.C.

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Council held on January 20th, 1960. [p. 503]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

"Upon considering the arrangements to be made for the dinner to be given to the Law Tutors who are members of Lincoln's Inn it was Resolved that a notice be sent out to all such University Law Lecturers as to a dinner to be

given to them on some date after the 19th May 1960, and stating that a formal invitation will be sent out later. It was further Resolved that the dinner shall be free to the Law Lecturers and that the question as to the cost to Benchers who attend be deferred." [p. 504]

"Upon considering a communication from L.L. Ware, Esq., with reference to the tercentenary of the restoration of the Monarchy, Ordered that no special celebration be held."¹ [pp. 504, 505]

Ordered that an invitation be extended to Mr. Justice Cross offering him the privilege of lunching at the Bench Table. [p. 505]

"The Treasurer reported that he had received separate communications from the Treasurers of Gray's Inn and of the Inner Temple concerning the proposals that partnerships between barristers should be permitted and its reference by the General Council of the Bar to a committee for investigation and report." [p. 505]

Council held on February 11th, 1960. [p. 508]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Upon receiving the report of the Finance Committee it was Ordered

- (a) that the report be approved as to the plans to extend the Library and the Under Treasurer's offices, and to build a new house for the Under Treasurer
- (b) that W.F. O'Riordan be appointed Chief Butler at a salary of £750 per annum as from 1st November 1959. [p. 509]

Received the report of the Pictures Committee:

1. The Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Harman reported that he had received £400 from Mr. Wilfrid Hunt with a view to creating a Picture Fund

- (a) It was recommended to the Council that such a fund be created to be used in and towards purchasing or commissioning pictures which the Inn ought to possess.

- (b) It was further recommended to the Council that some annual or other contribution ought to be made by the Inn to the Picture Fund.

2. Recommend to Council that a portrait of the Lord Chief Justice, the Rt. Hon. Lord Parker of Waddington, be commissioned. The Picture Committee to consider an artist and refer the matter back to Council before making a final decision.

It was thereupon Ordered that the report be adopted but so far as the item 1(b) was concerned the question of a contribution by the Inn to the Picture Fund be deferred for further consideration. [p. 509]

"Ordered that in the event of a railway strike, members and tenants of the Inn and persons employed in the Inn be permitted to park their cars during any possible emergency." [p. 511]

¹ But see *post*, p. 641.

Adjourned Council held on March 16th, 1960. [p. 512]

Thirty-two Benches present.

Received the Treasurer's report of a telegram sent to Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret on the occasion of her engagement to Mr. Anthony Armstrong-Jones.

"The Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn send their greetings and congratulations to their fellow Benchers together with their best wishes for her happiness." [p. 512]

Upon considering the question of a wedding present for Princess Margaret Ordered that a sub-committee consisting of the Treasurer, Lord Evershed, M.R. and Mr. Burgess be appointed to consider the matter. It was Resolved that a present of silver was not to be ruled out. It was further Resolved that the sub-committee's recommendations are to be submitted to the Finance Committee and to the Adjourned Council appointed to be held on the 12th April 1960. [p. 513]

"Upon considering a communication from the Treasurer of the Middle Temple concerning the annual payment by each of the four Inns of Court for the maintenance of the Bar Library. Resolved that Lincoln's Inn do approve the proposal that future contributions should be on the basis of equality between the four Inns of Court." [p. 513]

"Upon receiving the Treasurer's report of his meeting with the Treasurers of the other Inns concerning a matter of common interest with the General Council of the Bar, it was Recommended that no member of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn should be appointed to sit with the Committee appointed by the General Council to consider the question of partnerships at the Bar. But it was recommended that the General Council be informed that, before publication of the report, the Bench would like to have its contents submitted to the four Inns for consideration." [pp. 513, 514]

"Upon considering the question of the election of an Ordinary Benchers, it was Resolved that it is desirable to proceed to the appointment of a new Benchers from the Outer Bar." [p. 514]

"Read the report of the Bench and Bar Liaison Committee and it was thereupon Ordered

- (a) that a Barristers Ladies Night be held on a date to be fixed
- (b) that a special service to commemorate the Restoration of the Monarchy be held in Chapel on Sunday, 29th May 1960, to be followed by luncheon at the usual charges, but that there should be no limitation as to the members attending,
- (c) that another meeting of the Kitchen committee be held to consider the request of the Liaison Committee as to the prices and courses of luncheons in Hall." [p. 514]

Received the report of the Under Treasurer of a gift by Mr. J.A. Wolfe of four antique Irish glass decanters; and of a gift by Mr. W.L. Dale of a stone vase for use in the garden. [p. 515]

Adjourned Council held on April 11th, 1960. [p. 516]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Walter Somerville Wigglesworth. [p. 518]

"Received the report of the sub-committee concerning the wedding present for Her Royal Highness Princess Margaret which was to take the form of an antique clock at a cost of £75. It was further Resolved that it should be a present from the Inn and that no inscription of any kind on the clock was to be made." [p. 516]

Read and accepted the following report by Mr. J.A. Wolfe and Mr. P.J. Sykes on their check of the Society's wine stock

We checked the wine last Saturday and we are able to report that (save that we found two surplus bottles) the stock of wine corresponded with the Cellar Book and that the latter appeared to be accurately kept. The cellars themselves were in admirable condition.

Since our last inspection a consumption cellar book has been opened and we inspected this and the consumption cellar for the first time. There were no inaccuracies worth mentioning and the orders of the Wine Committee as to keeping records of the consumption cellar appear to have been faithfully observed. There has undoubtedly been a very marked improvement in organisation since our last inspection and the present system seems to be entirely satisfactory.

We are in the course of preparing an up-to-date List of Wines for the use of the Wine Committee. It will show several small remnants which should be cleared off at the first opportunity. [pp. 517, 518]

"Approved the report of A.C. Woollatt, Esquire, the Students Advisory Officer on Lincoln's Inn Students and Resolved that his work be continued." [p. 519]

"Upon reading a communication from the Town Clerk of Manchester asking for permission for the Arms of Lincoln's Inn to be included in the scheme of decoration for the new Courts of Law at Manchester Resolved that the Inn before consenting wants to see a sketch of the proposed insertion and that the Town Clerk be reminded that Lincoln's Inn is the senior Inn of Court." [p. 519]

Read the following communication from Sir Fred E. Pritchard¹

My dear Harold

It is possible that I ought to have begun this letter by calling you Dear Master Treasurer; because its object is to make a request on which you may want to consult your Bench.

¹ See *ante*, p. 630.

I have sometimes wondered whether they have appreciated how grateful I am to you all for the kind hospitality which you extend to me in allowing me to lunch with you, a privilege which is a great convenience and a greater joy. My request is that I may be allowed to express my gratitude by presenting to the Bench a piece of silver or some other gift which might be acceptable and of use.

If my request can be granted, I would be grateful to you for a suggestion and, realizing the futility of asking this without mentioning a sum, I ought to tell you that the sum I have in mind is twenty guineas.

It was thereupon Resolved that the Treasurer and Sir Fred Pritchard should meet to agree as to what should be comprised in the gift. [p. 519]

Council held on April 27th, 1960. [p. 520]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"Read a communication from the Chairman of the Holborn Christian Aid Week Committee concerning the appointment of a representative of Lincoln's Inn to assist in raising money for the World Refugee Year. Resolved that no action be taken by the Inn, and that the Chairman of the Holborn Christian Aid Week Committee be informed that it would be contrary to the practice of the Inn to appoint such a representative or to make a contribution from the Inn as such." [p. 521]

"Upon considering the arrangements for the dinner to be held on the 25th May, 1960, to which members of Lincoln's Inn who are teachers of law are to be invited, it was Resolved that Benchers be invited to attend without payment." [p. 521]

It was Resolved that an invitation be extended to Mr. Justice Pennycuik to lunch at the Bench Table. [p. 521]

Council held on May 19th, 1960. [p. 525]

Nineteen Benchers present.

Read a communication from Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret concerning the wedding present given to her by Lincoln's Inn. It was Ordered that the letter be recorded in the Black Book together with the letter from Sir Arthur Penn.

From Princess Margaret, dated May 2nd

I am writing to thank you and all the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn very much indeed for the delightful Wedding present which you have given me.

I am enchanted with the beautiful bracket clock and am greatly looking forward to seeing it adorning our new home.

Would you please pass on my sincere appreciation to all my fellow Benchers for such a charming gift which I shall always treasure.

From Sir Arthur Penn, dated May 4th

Thank you so much for your letter of yesterday, informing me that your present to Princess Margaret is coming here today—a forecast which I had also from Messrs. Harris. I will, of course, most gladly convey your message to Her Royal Highness from whom, I am sure, you will receive a personal letter.

Your present to her, which was one of the first that she received, gave her a particular delight, not only for its own characteristics, but because of her regard for the givers. [*pp.* 525, 526]

Read a communication from the Inner Temple of an Order that where applications for admission *Ad eundem* are made to that Society special reasons for such applications should be submitted. It was thereupon Resolved that the question of fees charged by Lincoln's Inn on admission *Ad eundem* be referred to the Finance Committee. [*p.* 526]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mr. W. Lewington, a chorister of the Society for thirty-four years. It was Resolved that the question of the Choir be referred to the Chapel Committee for consideration." [*p.* 527]

Approved the report of the Library committee

Recommend to Council Library be closed on Saturdays. In view of the non-reply from the other Inns, matter to be dealt with at Council tomorrow.

Students overnight lending scheme rules to be amended appropriately.

It was thereupon Resolved that after 31st July next (1) the Library be closed on Saturday (2) the Under Treasurer's Office be closed on Saturday. [*p.* 527]

Council held on June 22nd, 1960. [*p.* 528]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Upon considering the next visit of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret Resolved that the Treasurer communicate with Major Legh who is to be asked whether Mr. Armstrong Jones should accompany Princess Margaret at her next dinner." [*p.* 528]

"Read the Treasurer's report on a communication from the B.B.C. containing certain proposals regarding a television documentary film of the legal profession which was received and approved." [*p.* 528]

"Read the following report of the Chapel Committee which was referred to the Finance Committee

"Recommend to Council that the Choir be re-organised so as to consist of four men and four women." [*p.* 529]

Read the following report of the Garden Committee

Recommend to Council that Students be allowed to play volley-ball at the north end of the Garden

Resolved that chains be not put around New Square.

The recommendation as to volley-ball was referred back to the Garden Committee for further consideration and information; the rest of the report was approved. [pp. 529, 530]

"Read a communication from the Town Clerk of Manchester requesting permission for the Society's coat of arms to be incorporated in a scheme of decoration for the new Courts of Law at Manchester [which] was approved." [p. 530]

"Read a communication from the Chairman of the Council of Legal Education requesting permission for that Council to be allowed to use their funds towards the presentation of a piece of silver to the Karachi Bar Mess which was approved." [p. 530]

Adjourned Council held on July 27th, 1960. [p. 535]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"Read the Treasurer's report of a communication from Major Legh that the next visit of Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret will take place on the 7th November and that Mr. Armstrong-Jones will accompany her. Ordered that arrangements be made accordingly." [p. 535]

Read the report of the Finance Committee which included the following

Authorised expenditure of £650 and £175 as mentioned in Mr. Clapham's letter of the 19th July 1960 concerning the Ablington property.

No action to be taken on the report of the Buildings Committee that on considering the report of the Society's Surveyor concerning the Town and Country Planning Act 1947/59, the Committee have no intention to develop.

Approved in principle the scheme for the construction of lavatories at 2 New Square and authorised the Society's Surveyor to negotiate with owners and/or tenants with regard to the payment of 8% on the money expended ...

Approved increase of Choir to four men and four women which can be carried on existing grants for charitable purposes ...

Authorised payment of up to £100 to Miss D. Langmaid on her retirement from the Choir ... [pp. 536, 537]

Approved the report of the Buildings Committee (inter alia) that work on the Under Treasurer's residence and reconstruction of the Treasury Office and Library should commence in October 1960. [p. 537]

The following addition to Standing Orders was adopted

29. That notice of any Meeting of the Council and the Agenda therefor shall be given to every Bencher and every Honorary Bencher entitled to attend the Meeting not less than four days before the Meeting. No matter shall be brought before the Council other than those set out in the Agenda contained in or with the notice of the Meeting except matters of urgency authorised by the Treasurer. [pp. 538, 539]

The following Order was made on the motion of the Treasurer

That where the report of a committee appears in the Council Agenda the general nature of the business dealt with or to be dealt with by such report shall, so far as practicable, be indicated in the Council Agenda. [p. 539]

"Read the Treasurer's report of further correspondence with the Treasurer of the Inner Temple and the Chairman of the Council of Legal Education concerning the proposed presentation by the Council of Legal Education to the Karachi Bar Mess. It was thereupon Ordered that the letter from the Treasurer of the Inner Temple dated the 14th July 1960 be approved and that notwithstanding the former resolution of the Bench, the presentation to the Karachi Bar Mess should be made by the four Inns and not by the Council of Legal Education and that the Treasurer be appointed the representative of this Inn to assist in selecting a suitable piece of plate at a price not to exceed £100 in all, i.e. £25 from each Inn." [p. 540]

Adjourned Council held on October 6th, 1960. [p. 544]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

"Arising out of the minutes it was Resolved that the building of the Under Treasurer's House be postponed as a consequence of the shortage of bricks, in the meantime the Under Treasurer to remain where he is." [p. 544]

Received the Under Treasurer's report upon the illness of the Treasurer. It was thereupon Resolved that Grand Day in Michaelmas Term be not held and that Lord Justice Harman is to preside at all functions and to act as Treasurer on all occasions ... [p. 544]

"Considered a communication from the Lord Chancellor's Secretary concerning the appointment of a member of this Society to serve on a committee to consider, and report as soon as possible, what facilities should be made available to provide such additional instruction and training, either in the United Kingdom or elsewhere, as may be necessary to ensure that members of local bars in Africa possess the knowledge and experience required to fit them for practice in the special conditions of the territories in which they are to practise with special reference to the following

(a) the acquisition of practical experience in addition to academic qualifications, and

(b) the giving of instruction in the functions of a solicitor to those who are English barristers or possess similar qualifications, and who practise as members of a fused profession.

It was resolved that so far as Lincoln's Inn is concerned no further appointment need be made." [p. 545]

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the following gifts under the Will of the late John Benjamin Lindon O.B.E., Q.C., late a Bencher of the Society:—

- (i) Second folio. Shakespeare
- (ii) Poly-Olbion (reputed to be Ben Jonson's copy)
- (iii) a portrait of John Donne

Resolved that the gifts be accepted and that the Acting Treasurer send a letter of acknowledgement to Mrs. Lindon. It was further Resolved (a) to refer to the Picture Committee the question of the authenticity of the portrait, (b) that the Library Committee consider the question of the insurance of the books. [pp. 545, 546]

Upon the motion of Lord Evershed M.R. Ordered that the Chief Justice of Ceylon and the Chief Justice of India be granted the privilege of lunching at the Bench Table and the use of the Library whilst in this country. [p. 547]

Council held on November 2nd, 1960. [p. 548]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of the Treasurer, Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, Q.C. Consequent upon the death of the Treasurer Resolved that Lord Justice Harman be appointed Treasurer for the rest of the year, namely to 10th January 1961. [p. 548]

Called to the Bench:

Bernard Benjamin Gillis, Q.C. [pp. 540, 551]

Treasurer for 1961: Sir Henry Wynn Parry, a Judge of the High Court. [p. 551]

Read the report of the Joint Meeting of the Scholarship Committee and the Sir Thomas More Bursary Trustees which included the following general instruction and which was adopted.

"It was further resolved that when considering applications for Cholmeley and Cassel Scholarships, awards are to be based on merit and the question of means is not to be a condition when awarding a scholarship." [p. 549]

Read and approved the report of the Garden Committee which recommended to Council that the plane tree in the Kitchen Garden be removed. [p. 550]

Upon receiving a communication from Lord Justice Willmer that the Inner Temple had decided to increase their subscription to the Inns of Court Mission under a Deed of Covenant to £200 p.a. net. Resolved that the subscription paid by Lincoln's Inn be increased to £200 from the next payment and that a new covenant for that purpose be prepared for signature. [p. 552]

"The Treasurer reported that permission had been granted to the Royal Academy of Arts for the loan of the Duke Candlesticks for their Winter Exhibition which was approved. [pp. 552]

Council held on November 24th, 1960. [p. 557]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Officers for 1961, other than the Treasurer [p. 557]

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Danckwerts

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Sir John William Fisher Beaumont, Q.C.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Denning

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Jenkins.

Adopted the following report of the Pictures Committee

On consideration of a portrait of the Lord Chief Justice (Rt. Hon. Lord Parker of Waddington), it was suggested that Lord Parker be informed that the Society wishes to have his portrait painted by Sir William Hutchison.

On considering the arrangements for the lighting of pictures in the Hall, it was agreed to proceed with the lighting of pictures in the panelling. The Society's electrician to carry out the work. The Treasurer and Mr. Justice Buckley to supervise details. Ordered that these pictures be hung on two chains each. On considering the removal of Arms behind the pictures, it was Ordered that the Arms be removed. The four on the west side to be done in the first instance. This work to be done by the Society's staff.

Ordered that the Arms of the following be placed in Hall

The late H.A.H. Christie, Q.C.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Buckley

The Hon. Mr. Justice Russell.

The Hon. Mr. Justice Atkinson

The Rt. Hon. Lord Denning

The Rt. Hon. Clement Davies, Q.C., M.P.

Mr. Justice Buckley was asked to experiment further with the lighting of the screen in Hall.

On considering the question of curtains to be placed over windows at the south end of the Hall, it was Ordered that patterns be obtained in gold, blue and red washable materials. Concealed lighting should be installed under the canopy.

Adjourned Council held on December 20th, 1960. [p. 560]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

John Anthony Plowman, Q.C. [pp. 551, 563]

"Received a report of the Bar Representation Committee recommending that Barristers of the Inn be not allowed to bring guests other than on the authorised Guest Nights which was approved." [p. 562]

"Received a communication from the Rev. L.H. Waddy, Headmaster of Tonbridge, accepting the appointment of Warburton Lecturer which was approved." [p. 563]

"Upon receiving a communication from Lincoln Hallinan, Esq., a Barrister of this Society concerning a ruling of the General Council of the Bar Ordered that Mr. Hallinan be informed that the Inn can take no action." [p. 564]

Treasurer: Harold Alfred Hunter Christie, Q.C.: died October 23
Lord Justice Harman

The following Benchers died during the year

1. July 13 John Benjamin Lindon, O.B.E., Q.C.
2. October 8 Ralph Sutton, Q.C.
3. October 23 Harold A.H. Christie, Q.C., see above
4. November 25 Sir William Ball

Biographical notes

1. Lindon. b.1884. Chancery Bar. Shakespearean scholar.
2. Sutton. b.1881. Editor of the Law Reports 1941-1952. Author *Personal Actions at Common Law* (1929).
3. Christie. b.1884. Practised at the Chancery Bar. Served in both World Wars. Vice-chairman of the General Council of the Bar 1949-1953.
4. Ball. b.1874. Master of the Supreme Court, K.B.D. 1921-1943; Senior Master 1943-1947. Author *Lincoln's Inn. Its History and Traditions* (1947).

Elected

1. Walter Somerville Wigglesworth
 2. Bernard Gillis, Q.C.
 3. J. Anthony Plowman, Q.C.
 4. Hon. Mr Justice Widgery.
 5. Hector Hillaby
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Council held on January 18th, 1961. [p. 565]

Fifteen Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Hector Hillaby [pp. 551, 566]

"Received the Treasurer's report that in accordance with the powers invested in him under Clause 8 of the Standing Orders of the Council of Benchers he has invited the Honourable Mr. Justice Widgery to be a Bencher of this Society on his appointment as a Justice of the High Court." [pp. 566, 567]

"Approved in principle the application made by the British Broadcasting Corporation for the use of the Old Hall on Saturday and Sunday, the 4th and 5th February, 1961, for a television recording with reference to St. Thomas More, subject to the consideration of the necessary details by the Treasurer." [p. 567]

Council held on February 9th, 1961. [p. 570]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported that he had received a letter from Lord Denning who had written on behalf of the Committee of Legal Education for Students from Africa. It was thereupon Resolved that a Joint Committee should be set up (consisting of the four Treasurers) to consider the question of fees and deposits." [p. 571]

Received a communication from Hassanally A. Rehman, Chairman of the Karachi Bar Mess concerning the silver cup to be presented by the Inns of Court to the Karachi Bar Mess. Extracts from the letter follow

In the year 1958 I held 2 receptions at the local Law College (of which I am the Head) and in December, 1959 and 1960 we have been holding regular Bar dinners. At these dinners we propose the toasts of the Inns of Court, of the Judiciary and of Senior and Junior Barristers. I assure you we are doing our very best to uphold the traditions and prestige of the English Bar to which we are proud to belong. I am glad to tell you that with all the limitations placed upon us we can truthfully claim that the members of the Inns of Court are in every way superior both in professional work and in professional etiquette. The topmost lawyer in this Country is Mr. Manzoor Qadir who is a member of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn. He was our chief guest at our last dinner and the glowing terms in which he spoke of the Inns of Court and the English Bar was an inspiration to us all. We assure you that while maintaining our loyalty to and pride in our State of Pakistan we feel that as far as legal education is concerned and our membership of the Bar is concerned our affinity to the English Bar will always endure.

The presentation of the silver cup by you has drawn us even closer to the English Bar and makes us feel that our love for the English Bar is not one sided. Regarding the Customs Duty, pray have no worry on that account; I shall do my best in that matter.

May I make a suggestion: that if you write to the High Commissioner in Pakistan for the United Kingdom and if he agrees we could easily arrange a function where all the barristers in Pakistan could gather and your cup be formally presented to us. [pp. 572, 573]

"Granted the application from the Society's Librarian, Mr. C.W. Ringrose, for the use of the Great Hall on Saturday, 15th July, next for the Wedding Reception on the occasion of his daughter's marriage. It was further Resolved that no charge is to be made to Mr. Ringrose for the use of the Hall and that the Inn will pay to the staff such gratuities as Mr. Ringrose would have made." [pp. 573, 574]

"Upon receiving a report concerning the condition of the Library Roof approved that a further report be made by the Surveyor. The Treasurer to have liberty to act so far as is necessary for safety after consultation with the Vice-Chairmen of the Buildings Committee and the Finance Committee." [p. 574]

Adjourned Council held on March 21st, 1961.¹ [p. 576]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Considered an offer by Edward Clarke, Esq., Q.C. to present to the Society a silver bowl which was given to his grandfather, Sir Edward Clarke, Q.C., by Sir Richard Webster, Q.C. in 1892 after they worked together as Law Officers for six years. It was thereupon Ordered that the offer be accepted and that a suitable inscription be added to the Bowl to the effect that it was given by Sir Edward Clarke's grandson, a Bencher of the Inn. [p. 578]

Council held on April 12th, 1961. [p. 581]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"Read the Summary of the Minutes of the Adjourned Council held 21st March 1961." [p. 581]

Approved the recommendations of the Garden Committee concerning the following trees:

- (a) Remove the lime tree by the Chancery Lane entrance to Stone Buildings.
- (b) Remove the two large thorn trees on the New Square lawn.
- (c) To pollard the wych elms at the end of the Avenue at the north end of the garden.
- (d) To lop the four plane trees overhanging the greenhouse at the north end of the garden.

The Under Treasurer to take steps to obtain such consent as may be necessary from the London County Council [pp. 581, 582]

Upon considering a report from the Council of Legal Education on the Report of the Committee for Legal Education for Students from Africa (the Denning Report) it was Resolved that [three named Benchers] be appointed a sub-committee to consider the report of the Council of Legal Education and to report back to the Council upon the 4th May next if possible. [p. 582]

"Ordered that the appointment of the Right Reverend Bishop Bertram Fitzgerald Simpson as Preacher to the Society be extended for a further two years." [p. 582]

"Received the resignation of A.C. Woollatt, Esq. as Students' Officer of this Honourable Society and it was thereupon Ordered that Maurice E.C. Rena, Esq. be appointed to take Mr. Woollatt's place." [p. 582]

¹ The superscription on the original is "At a Council there held the 24th day of March 1961." This is wrong. The Council meetings for the Hilary Term had already been held, and March 24th, 1961 was a Friday. The type of meeting "Adjourned Council" and its date are correctly stated at the start of the minutes of the next meeting.

BOOK XLIX

Council held on May 4th, 1961. [p. 1]

Twenty-five Benchers present.

"Upon considering the report of the sub-committee on the report from the Council of Legal Education on the Denning Report Recommend that in due course the four Treasurers should meet and seek to agree upon joint action. Meanwhile the sub-committee's report was in part considered and it was further Resolved that a Special Meeting of the Council for further consideration of it be held on Wednesday, 17th May next." [p. 1]

Considered the report of the Buildings Committee which included the following

- (2) On considering the fee to be charged for the parking of cars in the Inn, Recommend to Council that the fees be doubled and that [two named Benchers] be appointed as a sub-committee to consider and report on a scheme for the improvement of car parking arrangements.
- (3) On considering the proposed scheme of redevelopment of New Court, Carey Street, the Society's Surveyor was instructed to submit an objection on behalf of the Masters of the Bench.
- (4) The Vice-Chairman's report on the progress made with reference to the Under Treasurer's residence.

It was thereupon Ordered that the recommendations be accepted and that approval be given for an expenditure of about £12,000 on the Under Treasurer's House. [p. 2]

Adjourned Council held on May 17th, 1961. [p. 4]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Approved the report by the sub-committee on the report from the Council of Legal Education on the Denning Report. It included the following extracts

Sufficient knowledge of English is, of course, indispensable, but we reluctantly agree that compulsory Latin should be abandoned. Our view is, however, that if Latin is not to be compulsory, neither should Roman Law be compulsory.

We agree with what the report says as regards the need for further accommodation. The suggestion that the premises now occupied by the Inns of Court Regiment in Stone Buildings might be made available for the Council of Legal Education needs special consideration. We suggest that

an attempt should be made to persuade the Lessee to give up possession of these premises particularly as the Regiment has now been amalgamated with another regiment.

It is considered that if possession of these premises was returned to the Inn and the Inn spent some £25,000 in adapting them for use for professional purposes a rent of between £8,000 and £10,000 a year could be obtained therefrom.

We consider that if the premises are to be adapted for use by the Council of Legal Education and made available to the Council at a non-commercial rent, any sum paid in consideration of the surrender, cost of adaptation and the amount by which the commercial rent exceeds the non-commercial rent, are burdens which should fall on all the Inns as being borne for the benefit of students of all the Inns and should not fall exclusively on that Inn in which the premises happen to be situate... [pp. 4, 7]

Council held on June 7th, 1961. [p. 9]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

"Ordered that a dinner be given to the Society's Law Tutors on Thursday, 26th October next." [p. 10]

Council held on June 29th, 1961. [p. 14]

Twenty-one Benchers present.

Lord Evershed, M.R. moved that a set of the Black Books of Lincoln's Inn be presented to the Federal Supreme Court of India.

The motion was agreed and it was Ordered that one of the unbound copies of the Black Books is to be bound and the arms of the Inn placed on it. [p. 14]

Adjourned Council held on July 26th, 1961. [p. 18]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

Received the memorandum and a supplementary memorandum of the General Council of the Bar on Practical Training before Call to the Bar. [p. 19]

"Ordered that the report of the sub-committee on Car Parking within the Inn, dated July 1961, be received and its recommendations approved and adopted." [p. 20]

Read the following letter dated the 24th July 1961 from the Permanent Secretary to the Lord Chancellor to the Treasurer concerning the Denning Report

"The Lord Chancellor instructs me to say that the question of the future use of No. 10 Stone Buildings was considered by Ministers at the end of last week, and that Ministers decided that the tenure of the premises by the Territorial Army and Air Force Association of the County of London is not to be disturbed. On the other hand the possibility of sharing the use of some part of the building between the Inns of Court

Regiment and the Council of Legal Education is to be kept open in case the Council wish to review their decision not to accept the Regiment's offer to give the Council the use of the first floor during the daytime.

"Ministers invited the Lord Chancellor to inform you and the Treasurers of the other three Inns of Court that in their view the Council should further explore the possibility of finding alternative accommodation either inside or outside the precincts of the Inns, and that the Minister of Works has undertaken to assist in any way he can with regard to other premises outside the Inns.

"The Lord Chancellor wishes me to add that Ministers had fully in mind the urgency of the Council's undeniable need for further accommodation. It has been suggested that, for example, the Niblett Hall might possibly be made available for lectures to Bar Students from both the Inner and Middle Temple." [p. 23]

Adjourned Council held on October 5th, 1961. [p. 25]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

"Upon considering a proposal from the Warden of Radley College for sixth form boys at that College to be allowed to take Part I of the Bar Examinations before admission to the Inn it was Ordered that the proposal be rejected." [p. 28]

"Upon the motion of the Rt. Hon. Lord Evershed, M.R. the following resolution was passed: that the kindness of Miss Frick and the Trustees of the Frick Collection in permitting a copy to be made of the Holbein portrait of Sir Thomas More and for allowing the necessary photographs to be taken for such purpose, be gratefully acknowledged by this Honourable Society." [p. 29]

"Ordered that the regulations for car parking recently approved by the Masters of the Bench be referred back to the Buildings Committee for reconsideration." [p. 29]

Council held on November 1st, 1961. [p. 32]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Officers for 1962: [p. 34]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Danckwerts

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Sir John Beaumont, Q.C.

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Denning

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Jenkins

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Parker of Waddington, L.C.J.

Accepted with thanks the gift of a volume entitled *London at the Opening of the Twentieth Century*, presented by Ian McCulloch, Esq.¹ [p. 35]

¹ A rare book, sometime owned by Leonard Francis Potts, and presented by the husband of his granddaughter. For L.F. Potts, see *ante*, p. 353.

Council held on November 23rd, 1961. [p. 38]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Upon considering proposals for a hostel to be opened with government financial assistance, it was Ordered that the Treasurer-elect (Lord Justice Danckwerts) be requested to confer with the Treasurers-elect of the other Inns about the proposals to see if they can be implemented and, if so, how. [p. 40]

Adjourned Council held on December 19th, 1961. [p. 42]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Received the following report of the Finance Committee, but item 3, as to rents *and the payments of tradesmen's accounts be referred to the Finance Committee.*¹

On considering the Under Treasurer's memorandum, on Admissions and Calls to the Bar and their effect on the finances of the Inn it was Recommended (1) that the Council of Legal Education be invited to consider the amendment of Clause 18 of the Schedule of Examinations contained in the Consolidated Regulations (2) that the Students Committee be invited to exercise a stricter control on the admission of overseas students by increasing the academic standard.

On considering the memorandum concerning the receipt of rents due to the Society and the payment of tradesmen's accounts, it was Recommended (3) that the Under Treasurer be authorised to write to tenants of the Inn inviting them to sign bankers orders for the payment of rent direct to the Society's bankers. The Under Treasurer to write to tenants who refuse to comply asking them to pay their rent direct to the Society's bank. The Buildings Committee to consider whether the condition of paying rent by bankers order should be included in future leases and tenancy agreements. (4) that in future, payments to tradesmen (subject to their consent) be made direct by the Society's bankers upon receipt of a list of payees signed by two Benchers. The Society's bankers do not intend to make any charge for this service and they do not require any resolution made by the Masters of the Bench. [pp. 43, 44]

Received the following report of the Garden Committee

Recommend to Council that the two plane trees on the east side of the main drive leading to the Hall and Library buildings be removed.

It was thereupon Ordered that the recommendations be carried out subject to the question [of cost] be[ing] referred to the Finance Committee [p. 44].

¹ Printed as amended at the Adjourned Council of January 17th, 1962.

Treasurer: Sir Henry Wynn Parry

The following Bencher died during the year

August 22 Arthur Malcolm Latter, Q.C. B.1875.

No election was held to replace him.

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Council held on January 17th, 1962. [p. 48]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mrs. Daisy Kennedy of Ablington House, Bibury, widow of a former Bencher of the Society, the late Judge A.R. Kennedy, Q.C." [p. 49]

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of a gift of £1000 bequeathed by the late A.M. Latter, Esq., Q.C. for the benefit of the 1946 Fund." [p. 50]

Council held on February 8th, 1962. [p. 53]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

"Arising out of the minutes of a previous Council, the Treasurer reported that the representatives of the four Inns had met representatives from the British Council to discuss a scheme for a Students' Hostel in Eccleston Square. The proposals were found to be impracticable. An alternative plan had been suggested that something might be done through London House and it was Ordered that the Treasurer be requested to write declining the offer of the British Council and that authority be given to explore the possibility of a scheme in conjunction with London House." [p. 53]

"Read the report of the sub-committee appointed to consider and report on the memorandum of the General Council of the Bar on a new central organisation of the Inns of Court which was adopted. It was suggested that a meeting be held at which three representatives of each Inn should attend and the Treasurer was authorised to nominate the representatives for Lincoln's Inn." [p. 54]

"The Under Treasurer reported an anonymous gift of a silver cocoa pot dated 1800 which was received with thanks." [p. 56]

Ordered that a communication from Gray's Inn concerning the provision of a library of British law reports and text books for the Supreme Court of British Guiana be referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 57]

Adjourned council held on March 27th, 1962. [p. 58]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Arising out of the minutes of the Council held on 8th February, the Treasurer reported his meeting at London House with Mr. Kenneth Carpmael and Sir Anthony Hawke. The scheme was found to be totally impracticable and the suggested alternative not worth while. [p. 58]

The report of Mr. John Lee, the Bar Students Advisory Officer, showed that in regard to accommodation for students, the position was not too bad. [p. 58]

"Upon consideration of a letter from the Hon. Mr. Justice Marshall, dated 15th January, 1962, it was Ordered that no action should be taken upon the proposal to subscribe three hundred guineas towards the provision of a library of British Law Reports and text Books for the Supreme Court of British Guiana."¹ [p. 59]

"Ordered that a joint recommendation of the Finance and Buildings Committees on the long term building policy of the Inn be approved in principle. It was also Resolved that the Finance and Buildings Committees be authorised to incur expenses for the purpose of settling details of the scheme accordingly. It was further Resolved that the possibility of an L shaped extension of the 'green building' be kept in mind." [pp. 59, 60]

Council held on May 2nd, 1962. [p. 62]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 61, 64, 65]

Harold Lightman, Q.C.

Michael James Albery, Q.C.

"Upon considering the report of the representatives of the four Inns of Court appointed to consider the Memorandum of the General Council of the Bar on a new Central Organisation of the Inns of Court, dated 4th April, 1962, Ordered that the report be received and adopted subject to the minor drafting amendments proposed by Gray's Inn..." [p. 63]

Council held on May 24th, 1962. [p. 71]

Twenty-six Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 63, 73]

George Arnold Rink, Q.C.

"The Treasurer reported that he had fixed Thursday, 22nd November next for the visit of H.R.H. Princess Margaret." [p. 71]

"Upon a motion of the Treasurer Ordered that the Order requiring a member of the Library staff to be present on occasions when dessert is served in the Library be rescinded." [p. 74]

Council held on June 27th, 1962. [p. 75]

Twenty-three Benchers present.

Read the following report of the Treasurer on the meeting with the Treasurers of the other Inns on the 20th May, 1962 concerning the Middle Temple's proposals for an increase in Admission and Call fees.

¹ The Inner and Middle Temples took the same line.

The proposal of the Middle Temple that fees for Call and Admission of Students should be raised by the sum of £50 was discussed.

(1) It was recognised that a smaller sum would be of no advantage to the Middle Temple for the purposes which that Society had in mind.

(2) In view of the financial limitations which were found among the students from Africa and India and other places outside the U.K., and the uncertainty of the future situation in regard to students from these countries, it was felt by the Treasurers of Lincoln's Inn, the Inner Temple and Gray's Inn that the proposal for increase of fees was premature at the present time. [*pp.* 75, 76]

Ordered that the following report of the Finance Committee be adopted

Upon considering the question of the Ablington Property, it was decided upon the advice of the Society's Surveyor to recommend to the Council that in principle the Ablington Property be sold notwithstanding the precatory wishes expressed in the Will of Judge Kennedy . . .

Recommend to the Council that approval be given to the following recommendations of the Buildings Committee held on the 18th April 1962.

Upon considering the Surveyor's report concerning the re-assessment of rental values of chambers occupied by practising barristers, recommend

(1) Rents of these chambers be increased to the gross amounts recommended in the Surveyor's report as being present rental values.

(2) Tenants who are practising barristers and members of the Inn be allowed a reduction of 15% on such gross amounts

(3) The resulting increases over current rents be spread over three years, the rent of each set of chambers being raised in each of the next three years by one-third of the total increase.

(4) That the Vice Chairman of the Buildings Committee be authorised to consider any representation by tenants as to their new rents and to make such modifications in the new gross rentals as he may think fit.

On considering an application from the British Institute of International and Comparative Law for a donation, recommend to Council that this Society enters into a deed of covenant to pay a gross sum of twenty guineas per annum.

It was further Resolved that the work to the extension of the Library be approved except that the exit from the Library down the north-west staircase be through the Benchers' recess and not by cutting through the bookcase. If found to be impracticable the matter to be further considered. [*pp.* 76-78]

Upon the motion of Lord Evershed, Ordered that Mr. C.K. Daphtery, Solicitor-General for India and a Barrister of this Society be accorded the privilege of lunching at the Bench Table during his stay in London until the 7th July next. [*pp.* 78, 79]

"Granted the request of Mrs. Mervyn Davies for a contribution to the tombola in aid of the Inns of Court Mission dance and it was Ordered that a

bottle of champagne be selected by the Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Harman as the contribution of Lincoln's Inn." [p. 79]

Council held on July 23rd, 1962. [p. 82]

Thirty Benchers present.

Upon considering a memorandum from the Council of Legal Education upon the acquisition of new premises dated 12th July 1962: Resolved as follows

- (1) That this Inn gives general approval to the scheme in paragraph 9, including the proposed loan of not less than £40,000.
- (2) That this Inn approves the increase in tuition fees suggested in paragraph 10.

"Upon considering the report of the Bar Representation Committee on the Lincoln's Inn Sponsorship Scheme for Students Ordered that the scheme outlined in the last paragraph of the report be adopted. The scheme reads as follows: individual students chosen by the Under Treasurer will be invited by practising Barristers to meet them in their chambers as their professional guests and talk about a barrister's working life at the English Bar and the etiquette of the profession." [pp. 83, 84]

Adopted the following report of the Library Committee:

"Considered the resolution from the Lincoln's Inn Bar Representation Committee, inviting the Library Committee to consider extending the hospitality of the Library to members of other Inns. Resolved that no change be made to the Order of the Committee made in March 1953." [p. 85]

Adjourned Council held on October 9th, 1962. [p. 87]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

"Received the report of the Inns of Court Joint Executive Council dated 1st October 1962, and it was Resolved:

- (1) That Students should eat three dinners per term and that in future exemption from dining should not be granted on evenings when no dinner is served.
- (2) That it be referred to the Inns of Court Executive Council to consider and report on the provision of professional chambers for members of the Bar practising in Birmingham." [p. 90]

Upon considering the report of the Committee appointed to formulate a scheme for the general re-building of the Inn it was Ordered: (1) The appointment of a sub-committee to be known as the New Building Executive Committee with executive powers to deal with matters affecting the proposed new building; such committee to consist of....

- (2) That authority be given to the Executive Committee to continue to negotiate with the Legal and General Assurance Co. on the present lines.
- (3) That approval be given for Mr. Clapham to obtain books of photographs from eight or nine named firms of Architects mentioning the

Inn's name. Approved that the Inn will not issue a press notice at present, but that the Treasurer will mention the proposed new building in the course of his address to the Barristers' Annual Meeting on the 24th October 1962. [pp. 90, 91]

Council held on November 7th, 1962. [p. 94]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Officers for 1963: [p. 106]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Sir John William Fisher Beaumont, Q.C.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Denning, M.R.

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Jenkins

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Parker of Waddington, L.C.J.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Upjohn, C.B.E.

Adopted the following report of the Finance Committee

Upon considering a reference from Council concerning the Dining Term fee to be paid by students, Recommend that no change be made in the fee for this Term on the understanding that students may dine six times but must dine three in order to keep term, and that no dispensation be given for Sundays.

Upon considering the resignation of the Chief Porter, Mr. S.C. Warren at the end of January 1963, it was Ordered that the Under Treasurer should endeavour to persuade Mr. Warren to stay. If he will not stay, Recommend a pension of £445.16.0. per annum . . . [p. 95]

Ordered that the report of the sub-committee on the Standing Orders be approved. [The new Standing Orders are in Appendix 3.]

It was further Resolved, upon considering the election of new Benchers, that at the next Meeting on the 28th November there should be an election of three members of the Inner Bar and one member of the Junior Bar to be submitted in the first instance by seniority. Council also expressed the view that no more candidates than the number of vacancies should be put up for election. [pp. 105, 106]

Adopted the following report of the Kitchen Committee

Recommend to Council that there be an increase of 6d. on all luncheons except the 2/6d. luncheon. [p. 106]

Upon considering the report of the Garden Committee as to the removal of the Ailanthus trees in the garden it was Ordered that the two large trees by the pond be not cut down but that the tree on the east border be cut down. It was further Ordered that the question of two new trees by the pond be referred to the Garden Committee. [p. 106]

"Ordered that a dinner be given to the Lincoln's Inn Golfing Society team who were winners of the Scrutton Cup. It was further resolved that Benchers who wish to attend may do so upon payment." [p. 107]

Council held on November 28th, 1962. [p. 111]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 105, 112]

Rt. Hon. David Lockhart-Mure Renton, Q.C., M.P.

George Harold Newsom, Q.C.

Robert Edgar Megarry, Q.C.

Ronald Cozens-Hardy Horne

"Upon receiving a communication from the Society's Surveyor, Mr. Anthony Clapham, concerning the sale of the Ablington Property Ordered that the offer from Mr. Phillips of £22,000 for the whole property be accepted, subject to contract." [p. 113]

Adjourned Council held on December 19th, 1962. [p. 114]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

Ordered that the following report of the Finance Committee be approved

Upon considering (a) a reference from the Kitchen Committee concerning the question of the dining term fee consequent upon the new regulations for keeping term and recommending that the fee should remain at two guineas, and that a better three course meal be served, [the Finance Committee] Recommend to Council that the dining term fee remain at two guineas.

(b) the recommendation [of the Kitchen Committee that] in view of the recurring loss of students' silver that good quality E.P.N.S. be obtained for use in lieu of silver at a cost of £344. Recommend that authority be given for the purchase of plated cutlery. Request the Council to consider whether Benchers should have an opportunity of purchasing the students' silver now surplus to requirements....

It was further Ordered that the question of the sale of plate be stood over for further consideration. [pp. 115, 116]

Ordered that the following report of the Kitchen Committee be approved.

On considering the question as to whether students should lunch in Hall on Sundays during the dining terms, it was recommended in view of the large number of students from universities outside London who would like to take advantage of lunching on Sundays, that as from Hilary Term 1963 students from such universities be allowed to lunch in Hall and that Benchers and their ladies who have attended Chapel, should lunch at the Bench table in Hall.

It was further recommended that in order to limit the cost the same menu be served throughout the Hall. [p. 116]

Ordered that the following report of the Picture Committee [be approved]

Upon considering the offer of the picture of Sir John Glynne and his family for £300, it was resolved to buy this picture, such purchase to be defrayed by the Picture Fund. [p. 116]

Treasurer: Lord Justice Danckwerts

The following Benchers died during the year

1. March 23 Rt. Hon. Clement Davies, Q.C., M.P.
2. April 16 Hermon Victor Rabagliati, Q.C.
3. May 16 Edward Johnson Rimmer, Q.C.
4. June 23 His Honour Francis Kentdray Archer

Elected

1. Harold Lightman, Q.C.
2. Michael John Albery, Q.C.
3. George Arnold Rink, Q.C.
4. Rt. Hon. David Renton, Q.C., M.P.
5. George Harold Newsom, Q.C.
6. Robert Edgar Megarry, Q.C.
7. Ronald Cozens-Hardy Horne

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Council held on January 16th, 1963. [p. 117]

Nineteen Benchers present.

The Treasurer moved the following motion

That members of the Inn who are County Court Judges should be at liberty to lunch at the Bench table when they are sitting as Judges of the High Court

It was thereupon Ordered that the motion be approved and a communication sent to all County Court Judges who are members of the Inn and to the Council of Her Majesty's Judges of County Courts accordingly. [p. 119]

Council held on February 7th, 1963. [p. 128]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Upon considering the report of the Chapel committee it was Ordered

- (1) That the Rt. Rev. B.F. Simpson be re-appointed Preacher to the Society for a further period of two years
- (2) That the Rev. Canon William Fenton Morley, Vicar of Leeds, be invited to become the next Warburton Lecturer. [pp. 128, 129]

Ordered that Lord Justice Upjohn and Mr. Justice Buckley be appointed a sub-committee to consider the re-organisation of the Under Treasurer's office. [p. 130]

"Ordered that, subject to consultation with Professor Hollond, the 22nd May 1963, be provisionally fixed as the date of the dinner to be given to the Law Tutors who are members of the Society." [p. 130]

Adjourned Council held on March 19th, 1963. [p. 131]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Ordered that the Hon. Sir Kenneth Gresson, K.B.E., President of the New Zealand Court of Appeal be invited to become an Honorary Bencher of this Honourable Society. [p. 132]

"Upon considering a communication from the Rt. Hon. the Attorney General¹ dated 5th March 1963 concerning discussions between the Law Society and the Council of Legal Education Ordered that the matter stand over to the next Council.

"It was further Resolved that the Treasurer should write to the Attorney General saying that Lincoln's Inn is sympathetic to the proposals but is getting a report from the Council of Legal Education before arriving at any conclusion. The Treasurer was also requested to write to the Council of Legal Education with a view to obtaining a report on the Attorney General's letter." [p. 132]

"Upon considering a request from the General Council of the Bar concerning permission for a party of Dutch Lawyers to lunch in Hall on Wednesday 3rd April 1953, it was agreed that Lincoln's Inn should ask them to lunch at the Bench table." [p. 132]

Council held on April 24th, 1963. [p. 136]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Arising out of the minutes of the Adjourned Council further consideration was given to a communication from the Attorney General concerning discussions between the Law Society and the Council of Legal Education. The Treasurer reported that he had been in communication with the Attorney General and the Chairman of the Council of Legal Education and that copies of letters from the Attorney General and from the Director of the Council of Legal Education had been circulated to the Masters of the Bench. A discussion then ensued and it was Resolved to defer any decision in the matter until the Treasurer was able to report on the meeting of the four Treasurers. [pp. 135, 136]

Granted the application made by the Lord Chief Justice for the use of one of the Benchers' rooms for a meeting of American Judges on the 11th and 23rd July next. [p. 136]

Considered an application on behalf of the Federation Internationale des Femmes des Carrieres Juridiques for some of their members to take lunch in Hall on Friday, 5th July next which was refused. [p. 136]

Adopted the report of the Scholarship committee which included the following

It was Ordered that Benchers of the Inn should not be permitted to submit testimonials in support of applicants for scholarships. [pp. 137, 138]

¹ Sir John Hobson, Q.C., M.P. His letter proposed a common examination for entry into both branches of the legal profession, with additional specialist subjects.

Council held on May 16th 1963. [p. 140]

Twenty-nine Benchers present.

Arising out of the minutes of the Adjourned Council of 19th March 1963, the following item was considered

The Treasurer's report of his meeting with the Treasurers of the other Inns of Court concerning discussions between the Law Society and the Council of Legal Education at which the formation of a Committee consisting of two members either of the Council of Legal Education or of the General Council of the Bar each to have a right to appoint alternates with the same qualifications was recommended. The Committee to enquire into the proposals for examinations for Solicitors and Call to the Bar advanced by the Law Society, the Council of Legal Education, the General Council of the Bar and the Attorney General, to report to the four Inns and to make recommendations. [pp. 140, 141]

The Treasurer read the following letter from the Treasurer of Gray's Inn [Lord Devlin]

We have been giving some thought in this Inn to the entertainment of solicitors. We think that some of the best ones do feel rather hurt that the Inns hold themselves so aloof as they do in this respect.

We feel that there are obvious difficulties about relaxing the rules against individual entertainment of solicitors in Hall. But that there would be no harm in the Inns doing something more than they do by way of corporate entertainment. We think that just at the moment, when there is a possibility of an acute difference of opinion on the subject of legal education, it would be a good time to move a little closer socially and to do something which might help to promote good feeling.

Accordingly, at the first Pension of Trinity Term I propose to move that the Bench of this Inn entertains at dinner in Hall the Council of the Law Society. This would be a departure from what has hitherto been the practice of the Inns; and so I felt that I ought to let you know what I had in mind. [pp. 141, 142]

Received the Under Treasurer's report that a drawing of the late Mr. Justice Eve by the late Theobald Mathew had been presented to the Society by Mr. Registrar Cunliffe. [pp. 142, 143]

Council held on June 19th, 1963. [p. 144]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 137, 141, 146]

Hilary Barrow Magnus, Q.C.

Sidney Henry Noakes

"Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Admiral of the Fleet the Rt. Hon. Viscount Cunningham of Hyndhope, K.T., G.C.B., O.M., D.S.O., late an Honorary Bencher of this Society." [p. 146]

"Ordered that Thursday, 21st November, 1963, be appointed the date for the visit of H.R.H. Princess Margaret and the Earl of Snowdon." [p. 144]

Arising out of the minutes the Treasurer reported that he had received a communication from the Treasurer of the Middle Temple concerning the entertainment of the President and Committee of the Law Society. It consisted of a copy of a letter to the Treasurer of Gray's Inn.

I mentioned to my Parliament yesterday your proposal that your Inn should invite the President and Committee of the Law Society to dinner. While we did not, of course, take any decision about this matter, which has not yet been before your Parliament, views were expressed that the four Inns might like to establish a custom under which the President and Committee of the Law Society were invited once each year to one Inn, so that each Inn entertained this body to dinner once in every four years.

Views were also expressed that some relaxation might by agreement between the four Inns be allowed to the rule at present common to the four Inns that a solicitor should not in any circumstances be invited as a guest, otherwise than in a purely formal capacity to Grand Night, et cetera. This is obviously a controversial subject, but some at any rate appear to take the view that it might be useful for some Committee of the four Inns to discuss the matter. [p. 145]

"Upon considering the appointment of Assistant Librarian, it was Ordered that Mr. P.C. Beddingham be appointed from 15th July 1963 at £850 p.a. . . ." [p. 148]

"Received the Treasurer's report concerning the use of the Treasurer's room and the rules relating thereto." [p. 148]

Council held on July 11th, 1963. [p. 151]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

"Received the report of the Chapel Committee that the S.W. window in the Chapel is to be used for Treasurers' arms and that the estimate from Messrs. Lowndes and Drury amounting to £295 be accepted." [pp. 151, 152]

"Upon considering a communication from the General Council of the Bar concerning the entertainment of members of the Union Internationale des Avocats on the 7th October next it was Resolved that the suggestion made by the Bar Council be agreed to and that they should be informed accordingly." [p. 153]

Adjourned Council held on July 29th, 1963. [p. 154]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

"Upon receiving a letter from Middle Temple concerning the entertainment of the President and Council of the Law Society it was Resolved that Lincoln's Inn should act as hosts in 1964." [p. 156]

"Upon considering an informal suggestion that Prince D. Ade Odubanjo, Agent-General for Western Nigeria in the United Kingdom and a barrister of this Society be allowed to dine at the Bench table it was Resolved that it was not practicable to give a general permission for him to dine at the Bench table but that he would be invited to Grand Day in Michaelmas Term and as a private guest on Guest Night." [p. 156]

"Upon considering an application from His Excellency the Belgian Ambassador for the use of the Great Hall for a ceremony and reception in connection with the inauguration of a plaque to the memory of members of the Belgian Forces in Great Britain who gave their lives in the Second World War it was Ordered that whilst sympathetic consideration had been given to the application it was felt that the general rule which prevails on these occasions and under which the use of the Hall and other rooms is confined to functions which have some legal connection must be adhered to and the application must therefore be refused." [p. 157]

Adjourned Council held on October 8th, 1963. [p. 158]

Thirty-three Benchers present.

"The Treasurer read to the Council a letter he had received from Sir Fred Pritchard concerning the privilege of lunching in Hall at the Bench table whereupon it was unanimously agreed that Sir Fred Pritchard be granted continued rights to lunch at the Inn whenever he wishes."¹ [p. 159]

"Read the Treasurer's report that during the Long Vacation he had allowed the use of the Chapel for a Memorial Service for the late Sir William Trower who was a senior partner of Messrs Trower, Still & Keeling, which was noted and approved." [p. 159]

"Granted an application made on behalf of the Inns of Court and City Yeomanry to be allowed to lay up the old colours of the regiment in the Chapel during the Remembrance Sunday Service on the 10th November 1963. It was referred to the Treasurer to make the necessary arrangements with the Preacher." [p. 159]

"Upon considering an application from Wildy & Sons Ltd. to be allowed to purchase unbound sets of the Black Books it was Resolved that the application be refused but that information concerning the number of bound and unbound sets of the Black Books in the possession of the Inn be reported to the next Council." [p. 189]

"Considered an application on behalf of the Girl Guides Association for the use of the Great Hall for their Annual Meeting on Wednesday 18th March, 1964 at which their President, H.R.H. the Princess Royal, will be present, which was refused." [p. 160]

¹ The Council of Legal Education was about to move out of Lincoln's Inn to new purpose-built premises in Gray's Inn. The new premises were formally opened by the Queen Mother on June 10th 1964 after the Council had been in occupation for some months.

Council held on November 6th, 1963. [p. 163]

Thirty-seven Benchers present.

Officers for 1964: [p. 164]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Denning, M.R.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Lord Jenkins

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Parker of Waddington, L.C.J.

Keeper of the Black Book: Rt. Hon. Lord Justice Upjohn, C.B.E., D.L.

Master of the Walks: Rt. Hon. Sir Benjamin Ormerod

Received the report of the Library Committee that the following sets of the Society's Black Books are in stock

250 sets Vols. 1-4 unbound sheets

8 sets Vols. 1-4 green buckram

25 sets Vols. 3, 4 only rexine binding

(Vols. 1: 1422-1586; 2: 1586-1660; 3: 1660-1775; 4: 1775-1845). [p. 163]

Granted the application made on behalf of the Bar Theatrical Society for the use of the Hall for a dinner and entertainment on 19th December, subject to the Treasurer being satisfied with the arrangements. [p. 165]

Council held on November 28th, 1963. [p. 168]

Twenty-seven Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [p. 169]

Peter Harry Batson Woodroffe Foster, Q.C.

"Arising out of the minutes the Treasurer reported that he had given permission for the Bar Theatrical Society to hold a dinner in the Hall on the 19th December, 1963 as the request to hold a dance after dinner had been withdrawn." [p. 168]

Lord Pearce reported that the sub-committee for the students welfare and three members of the Bar Liaison Committee had met to discuss improvements in the relations with students. The Council approved in principle the proposals made and it was referred to the Treasurer and Officers to deal with the details. [p. 170]

Special Council held on December 11th, 1963. [p. 171]

Twenty-four Benchers present.

Upon considering the memorandum of the New Building Executive Committee it was Resolved

"That no further progress be allowed at present on the building scheme before the Council but that the whole question of building or rebuilding on the garden site or on any other site belonging to the Inn including the ground on which 8, 9 and 10 Old Square now stand, whether by the Inn or outside developers, be referred back to the New Building Executive Committee, who should report to the Council in due course." [p. 171]

Adjourned Council held on December 18th, 1963. [p. 172]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"Upon considering a communication from the Inns of Court and City Yeomanry asking for a subscription to their Welfare Fund it was Ordered that the Inn make a donation of £25." [p. 173]

"The Treasurer reported that he had received a proposal from Arthur Henry Droop, Esq., a Bencher of the Inn, to make a gift of £26,000 for the purpose of scholarships. The proposal was received with acclamation." [p. 174]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Sir John Beaumont, Q.C.

The following Bencher died during the year

April 9 Sir Herbert Cunliffe, K.B.E., Q.C. b.1867. Att.-Gen. of the Duchy of Lancaster 1921-1946; M.P. (U) Bolton 1923-1929; Member General Council of the Bar 1914-1946 (Chairman 1932-1946).

Elected

1. Hilary Magnus, Q.C.
 2. Sidney H. Noakes
 3. Peter Foster, Q.C.
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Council held on January 15th, 1964. [p. 175]

Twenty-eight Benchers present.

It was proposed by the Treasurer and seconded by the immediate past Treasurer and carried with acclamation, that the thanks of the Inn be expressed to Arthur Henry Droop for his most generous benefaction. It was agreed that one of the Inn's Scholarships should be called "the Droop Scholarship," and its terms were referred to the Scholarship Committee. Mr. Droop indicated that he had intended that the Finance Committee should have power to invest in equities. [p. 175]

"Upon considering a proposal from the Lord Chancellor's Department that the Inns of Court should henceforth pay for the records of Appeals before the House of Lords it was agreed that the Inn does not feel inclined to pay as suggested" [p. 176]

Ordered that the following arrangements concerning Barristers and Students during dinner be accepted

One knock: "Ladies and Gentlemen. The Masters of the Bench would like to drink the health of the Barristers of Lincoln's Inn." (Barristers and Students to remain seated).

Two knocks: "Ladies and Gentlemen. The Masters of the Bench would like to drink the health of the Students of Lincoln's Inn." (Barristers and Students to remain seated). [p. 177]

Upon considering the request made on behalf of P.B.C. Pepper, Q.C. of the Canadian Bar to be allowed access to the Marrinan papers, it was Ordered that the matter be discussed by the Treasurer, Sir Ronald Roxburgh and Lord Justice Harman. [pp. 177, 178]

Council held on February 5th, 1964. [p. 181]

Thirty-one Benchers present.

The Council of the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn agreed to the proposals of Gray's Inn that the Inns of Court Executive Council should be invited to undertake a review of the "whole subject of practical training for the Bar and in particular, the question of keeping terms and pupillage, and that this review should be carried out by a body which would contain representatives from the Council of Legal Education and from the Executive Council in collaboration and with power to co-opt representatives from the Bar Council and the Law Faculties of Universities" subject to an amendment that the power to co-opt should include members of the four Inns of Court. [pp. 183, 184]

"Upon considering a communication from the General Council of the Bar concerning a contribution of fifty guineas to the Union Internationale des Avocats for the Appeal of the Lawyers of Skopje, Ordered that authority be given to the Treasurer to make a contribution up to fifty guineas provided all the other Inns agreed to so the same." [p. 184]

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Mr. George Fisher, late a Chief Butler and Pensioner of the Society. [p. 184]

Adjourned Council held on March 10th, 1964. [p. 186]

Thirty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench:

Thomas Morley Shelford. [p. 186]

Upon the motion of the Treasurer it was Ordered that Standing Order 5 be suspended with a view to the election of Henry William Rawson Wade and Witney North Seymour as Honorary Benchers. It was Resolved that it be left to the Treasurer to consider with other Benchers the possibility of electing as Honorary Benchers or giving dining rights to younger Fellows of Oxford and Cambridge. [p. 197]

Upon the motion of the Treasurer a vote of thanks to Sir Ronald Roxburgh for undertaking to edit the Black Book from 1845 to 1914 was passed with acclamation. [p. 190]

Council held on April 8th, 1964. [p. 191]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Ordered that the Treasurer be authorised to invite Mr. Whitney North Seymour, Past President of the American Bar Association, and Professor

Henry William Rawson Wade of St. John's College, Oxford, to be Honorary Benchers. [*pp.* 191, 192]

"The Treasurer reported that with regard to the appeal for the Lawyers of Skopje not all of the other Inns had resolved to vote any funds to this cause so that this Inn had not so far made any contribution." [*p.* 191]

"Upon considering a communication from the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar dated the 18th March 1964, concerning accommodation for the members of the Bar, it was Resolved that it is quite inappropriate to submit the matter to the Inns of Court Executive Council. Lincoln's Inn will pay great attention to the general feeling expressed in the letter. The Inn has done, and will continue to do, all it can to provide for accommodation for Barristers. The Treasurer would write in this sense to the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar." [*p.* 194]

Upon considering suggestions as to the procedure in Hall during Dining Term (i) the method of announcing Benchers: should it be "Master" or "Mr. Justice" etc. (ii) the method of taking wine with the Barristers and Students; (iii) whether Benchers, before retiring, should go down to the body of the Hall; it was Ordered:

(i) that the word "Master" is not to be used. Each Bencher will be announced with his title and rank in the law . . . in order of precedence as Benchers of the Inn. After the Benchers have taken their places, Grace will be said.

(ii) After the main course and before the sweet the Butler will announce: "The (Treasurer and) Benchers would like to take wine with the Barristers"; all Barristers to stand for their toast, all Students remaining seated. The Benchers will raise their glasses to the Bar and say "the Bar," and the Bar will respond "the Benchers." The same procedure will then be followed with the Students, substituting the words "the Students" for "the Bar." This procedure to be followed on rota and Council nights.

(iii) Agreed (by fourteen to thirteen) that on every rota night this practice will continue and that each Bencher will go to the head of a table and speak to the students for a few moments before retiring. [*pp.* 194, 195]

"Granted the application made by the Rt. Hon. Lord Pearce for the use of the Great Hall one evening in Trinity and Michaelmas dining terms from 8 p.m. to 9 p.m., for which no fee is to be charged by the Inn, as Lord Pearce wanted to try an experiment for entertaining the Students." [*p.* 195]

Upon considering a suggestion by Mr. Wilfrid Hunt that messages of congratulation be sent to Sir Cyril Atkinson and Mr. Cecil W. Turner on the occasions of their ninetieth birthdays Ordered that such messages of congratulation be sent accordingly. A letter of congratulation to each of these Benchers was then signed by the Treasurer who expressed the hope that as many Benchers as cared to could also sign. [*p.* 196]

Council held on April 30th, 1964. [p. 198]

Thirty-two Benchers present.

Elected an Honorary Bencher: [p. 201]

The Rt. Hon. Sir Garfield Barwick, Chief Justice of Australia.

Received a report from Lord Pearce that he had arranged a musical evening in the hall after dinner on Wednesday, 17th June 1964, which was noted. [p. 198]

Ordered that the following report of the Library Committee be approved

Upon receipt of a letter from the Inns of Court Executive Council on the subject of liaison between the Inns of Court Libraries (with special reference to Legal Periodicals being bound) the Librarians of the four Inns met and formulated a scheme to ensure that a copy of the more popular legal periodicals would be available in one of the Libraries at all times. This scheme was subsequently approved by the Library Committee of Lincoln's Inn. [p. 199]

Ordered that the report of the Finance Committee containing the following recommendation be approved

Upon considering a reference from Council on the question of the deposit payable by students on admission, recommend to Council that in future:

- (i) no deposit be required from any student who is at any university in Great Britain and Northern Ireland
- (ii) the question of deposits by students at universities in Eire be left to the discretion of the Students Committee in individual cases. [p. 200]

"Upon considering the List of Books presented to the Society it was Resolved that the Treasurer should write to thank Mrs. E. Fuller for the volume containing signatures of subscribers to the Testimonial presented to Cecil Henry Russell, one of the original Officers and Lieutenant-Colonel of the Inns of Court Rifle Volunteers, by his brethren of the Bar—25th April 1896." [p. 200]

Upon receiving the Under Treasurer's report that the number of Benchers practising at the Bar had been reduced to 22 of whom 13 were members of the Inner Bar and nine members of the Outer Bar, Ordered that one member of the Inner Bar and one of the Outer Bar be elected at the next meeting. [pp. 200, 201]

Council held on June 3rd, 1964. [p. 202]

Thirty-eight Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [pp. 200, 201, 203]

Neil Nairn McKinnon, Q.C.

Alfred Aubone Baden Fuller.

Received the following report of the Kitchen Committee

The Committee had before them a financial statement for the period 11th January to 19th May 1964. In view of the substantially increased loss the

Committee recommend to Council that the existing prices of luncheons, namely 2/6d, 4/6d, and 6/6d be increased by 1/- so that the prices of luncheons in future would be 3/6d, 5/6d, and 7/6d respectively. The 4/2d luncheon be discontinued.

It was Ordered that a meeting be held in October, when a statement up to 31st July should be presented to the committee. In this statement figures for staff meals are to be shewn. Figures should also be prepared to show the cost to the Inn of dinners provided to Benchers.

W.S. Wigglesworth, Vice-Chairman of the Kitchen Committee reported on the comparison between the expenditure for the period 11th January to the 10th May of this year with that of the same period for last year.

The recommendations of the Kitchen Committee were approved so far as the 4/6 and 6/6d luncheons were concerned: that they should be upgraded by 1/- each and that the 4/2d luncheon be abolished. With regard to the 2/6d luncheon it was Resolved that this be increased to 3/- with no third course. The Kitchen Committee to meet in October next to consider the financial statement to the 31st July and also to consider the cost of Benchers meals. [pp. 203, 204]

"Upon considering the offer of an Eighteenth Century wrought iron weather vane from Mrs. E. Fuller, widow of the late Captain Fuller, a member of this Society, the Treasurer was authorised to write and express regret that we have no suitable place for it." [p. 205]

"Received the Treasurer's report that the Rt. Hon. the Lord Mayor of London¹ and the Lady Mayoress will attend Chapel on Sunday, 28th June, 1964. It was agreed that the visit should be a private one and not an official visit accompanied by sheriffs &c." [p. 205]

A communication from Mr. C.H. Trevor tendering his resignation as Organist to the Society was received with regret. [p. 207]

Council held on June 25th, 1964. [p. 210]

Forty-two Benchers present.

The following matters arose out of the minutes

- (i) The Treasurer reported on further discussions with the British Council concerning the provision of hostels for Bar Students. A committee of the four Inns of Court had been formed consisting of [one Bencher from each Inn] with power to co-opt.
- (ii) Upon considering the question as to whether elections of Benchers should take place consequent upon the death of Sir Charles Collingwood and Arthur Henry Droop, it was decided not to hold any elections.
- (iii) The Treasurer also reported that C.K. Trevor would continue his appointment as Organist to this Society if the Masters of the Bench

¹ Sir (Clement) James Harman, G.B.E. (1894-1975)

could assist him with transport. It was agreed that the Inn would arrange and pay for transport every Sunday on which services are held, to the Chapel. Mr. Trevor was prepared to make his own way home. [*pp.* 210, 211]

The Treasurer reported that H.R.H. Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon and the Earl of Snowdon will dine in Hall on Monday, 23rd November 1964. Upon the Treasurer taking the decision of the Council as to whether the 23rd November 1964 should be Grand Day for Michaelmas Term, it was agreed that the Treasurer should unofficially ask the Princess if she would like the 23rd November to be Grand Day. [*p.* 211]

Considered the following proposals of the Treasurer for improving the recruitment of students from the universities:

- (a) Students societies at the universities
- (b) Dining rights for Dons
- (c) Students party to be held on 30th June 1964 at 4.30 p.m.

As to (a) the Treasurer reported the complete breakdown of the Lincoln's Inn Society at Oxford and some failing at Cambridge. Mr. T.M. Shelford and Mr. N.N. McKinnon, Q.C. offered to help so far as Cambridge was concerned, and Mr. M.J. Albery, Q.C. and Mr. G.A. Rink, Q.C. volunteered to help concerning Oxford.

As to (b) the Treasurer was to have the right to invite a Don to luncheon or dinner in Hall if the Don were acting as liaison officer with students at a university ... [*pp.* 211, 212]

Received the Under Treasurer's report that Lord Morton of Henryton had increased the Morton of Henryton Prize so that an award of one hundred pounds may be made annually and it was Ordered that the thanks of the Masters of the Bench be expressed in the Black Book. [*p.* 213]

"Upon considering a request from Professor R.H. Graveson for luncheon facilities and use of the Library to be granted to two or three members of a party of French and German lawyers visiting this country for ten months from the 1st October 1964. Ordered that the request be granted to two or three members of the party to be given use of the Library and to be entitled to lunch in Hall at their own expense." [*pp.* 213, 314]

Adjourned Council held on July 28th, 1964. [*p.* 215]

Forty-five Benchers present.

The following matters arose out of the minutes

- (i) The Treasurer reported that H.R.H. Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, and the Earl of Snowdon will dine in Hall on Monday, 23rd November, 1964.
- (ii) The Treasurer reported the Mr. Trevor, Organist to the Society, was unable to accept the assistance of transport to bring him to Chapel on Sundays and that he wished to retire from his position as Organist on

the 29th September 1964. It was thereupon Ordered that Mr. Trevor's resignation be accepted with regret and approval be given to the presentation of a piece of silver to him.

(iii) On the question of discussions with the British Council concerning the provision of hostels for Bar Students, the Treasurer reported that the Committee had now met and the possibility of a site in Gray's Inn or Southampton Row had been discussed. [*pp.* 215, 216]

Received the report of the Chapel Committee concerning the appointment of Mr. Christopher Regan as Organist to the Society in the place of Mr. Trevor, resigned. It was thereupon Ordered that Mr. Regan be appointed Organist on probation for one term at a rate of £250 p.a. plus three guineas for special services. [*p.* 216]

"Considered the report of the Legal Examinations Committee to the Treasurers of the four Inns of Court. After a very long discussion it was decided by a majority that the matter should be considered further at the first Council meeting next term." [*p.* 216]

Adopted the report of the Finance Committee which included the following item

"Upon considering a report of the Chapel Committee concerning a presentation to Mr. C.H. Trevor, Organist to the Society for 27 years, it was Ordered that the sum of £50 be expended on the presentation." [*pp.* 216, 217]

Received the report of the Bench Students' Welfare Committee with particular reference to (i) Dining in Hall; announcements; drinks. (ii) The formation of Committees of Benchers to assist the Lincoln's Inn Societies at Oxford and Cambridge and elsewhere. (iii) Dinners to meet undergraduates and Law Dons at Oxford and Cambridge. (iv) Arrangements for students weekends at Cumberland Lodge, 2nd to 5th October, 1964. After reading the report it was Ordered

(1) (a) That in future the toast to Barristers and Students should be given jointly throughout the Dining Term

(b) That Benchers should continue to talk with Students after dinner but for about one minute only

(c) That the announcement of names of Benchers on entering the Hall for dinner should be continued on Council and Rota nights

(2) Approval was given to the appointment of committees to promote a closer link between the Bench and the Students at Oxford and Cambridge....

(3) General approval was given to the idea of holding dinners at Oxford and Cambridge at the expense of the Inn for undergraduates and Law Tutors who are members of Lincoln's Inn. [*pp.* 217-219]

"Upon receiving the Treasurer's proposals concerning the dress for newly called Barristers on Call Day, it was Ordered that Barristers gowns and bands

be worn. It was Resolved that the Treasurer should investigate the possibility of hiring wigs at not too great expense for use on Call Day." [p. 219]

"Ordered that the date of Grand Day in Michaelmas Term be Wednesday, 18th November 1964." [p. 220]

Adjourned Council held on October 5th, 1964. [p. 222]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

The following matters arose out of the minutes

(i) Ordered Lord Justice Harman, Lord Pearce and Mr. Arthur Cole be appointed a Committee to select a piece of silver for Mr. C.H. Trevor, the retired organist

.....

(iii) Further consideration was given to the report of the Legal Examinations Committee to the Treasurers of the four Inns of Court together with the Council of Legal Education's memorandum. After a very long discussion and an amendment merely supporting the resolution of the Middle Temple had been defeated, it was proposed by Lord Justice Russell and seconded by Mr. Montgomery White, Q.C. and carried by a large majority that, while the present view of the Bench is that common examinations are unlikely to be either practicable or conducive to improving standards at the Bar, the Bench recommend that a committee consisting equally of members of the Inns of Court Executive Council and the Council of Legal Education should discuss with representatives of the Law Society how far and in what way easier transfer between the two branches of the legal profession might be practicably facilitated by (a) common examinations, or (b) mutual exemption from examinations, or (c) otherwise, without prejudice to their respective professional duties. [p. 223]

Upon the Treasurer taking the decision of the Council as to whether or not an election is to be held at the next meeting, it was Resolved that having regard to the recommendations contained in Standing Order 8 and bearing in mind the death of John Herbert Stamp, the retirement from practice of Richard Lionel Edwards, Q.C. and the elevation of Edward Blanshard Stamp to the High Court Bench, there shall be three elections to the Bench consisting of two members of the Inner Bar, and one from the Outer Bar. [p. 224]

"Granted the application of the National Geographic Society to be allowed to photograph in colour the Great Hall on Moot Night." [p. 224]

"The Treasurer reported that as the General Election was to be held on the 15th October, 1964, the dinner to the Council of the Law Society had been postponed. It was resolved that the dinner be held on Monday, 2nd November, 1964." [p. 224]

"Received the Treasurer's report concerning students' activities in Michaelmas Term. Arising out of the report it was Resolved that wigs, gowns and bands be worn on Call Day if this is found to be practicable; for example by hiring." [pp. 224, 225]

On November 2nd, 1964, the Treasurer (Lord Denning, M.R.) and 36 other Benchers entertained the President of the Law Society (R.J.F. Burrows, Esq) and 31 other members of the Council of the Law Society to dinner at Lincoln's Inn. Also present were the Preacher, the Under Treasurer of Lincoln's Inn and Sir Thomas Lund, C.B.E., Secretary of the Law Society. [*pp.* 226, 227]

Council held on November 4th, 1964. [*p.* 228]

Forty Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [*pp.* 224, 229, 230]

Robert Stephen Lazarus, Q.C.

Nigel Sebastian Sommerville Warren, Q.C.

Edmund Gordon Wright.

Officers for 1965: [*p.* 231]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Upjohn, C.B.E., D.L.

Master of the Library: Rt. Hon. Sir Benjamin Ormerod

Dean of the Chapel: Rt. Hon. Lord Pearce

Keeper of the Black Book: Hon. Mr. Justice Buckley

Master of the Walks: Joseph Alexander Wolfe

"Received the report of the Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee that the sum of £13,079.15s.0d. had been paid to the Inland Revenue in respect of Estate Duty which had become payable consequent on the death of Arthur Henry Droop, Esq. before the expiration of twelve months from the date of his gift." [*p.* 228]

Received the Treasurer's report on the situation of common examinations and an order from the Inner Temple dated 22nd October, 1964, which read

(i) That a committee constituted equally from members of the Executive Council and the Council of Legal Education should discuss with representatives of the Law Society how far and in what way easier transfer between the two branches of the legal profession might be facilitated by (a) common examinations, or (b) mutual exemption from examinations, or (c) otherwise, without prejudice to the proper preparation of students for their respective professional duties

(ii) That the Executive Council should constitute a standing liaison committee together with representatives of the Law Society to meet at regular intervals and to discuss any other matters of common interest.

whereupon the Council of Lincoln's Inn agreed with the recommendations contained in the Order of the Inner Temple. [*p.* 229]

"Upon the Treasurer's report on the question of robes being worn on Call Day, it was Resolved that wigs and gowns should be worn on Call Day where practicable." [*p.* 229]

Received the report of the Kitchen Committee Recommending that there be no increase in the charges for Benchers' meals, but that on Guest Nights only four courses be served and on Council and Rota nights only three courses be served. It was thereupon Ordered that the matter be referred back

to the Kitchen Committee to report back to the Council after consultation with the Wine Committee. [p. 231]

"Upon considering the application on behalf of the Society of Public Teachers of Law for a donation, having regard to the proposal that R.E. Megarry, Esq. Q.C. should be President of the Society with consequential entertainment at dinner, Ordered that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee." [p. 232]

Council held on November 26th, 1964. [p. 235]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"With regard to the question of hostels for the students of the Inns of Court, the Treasurer reported that the London County Council required the site on the South Bank of the River Thames for their own use, but the Treasurer is bringing pressure to bear on the Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations. The Treasurer hopes to make a full written report to be circulated to the Bench before the next meeting." [p. 235]

Received the following Order from Gray's Inn.

Upon consideration of an application from the Council of Legal Education for a contribution of £150 as a special donation to create an entertainment fund for the purpose of honouring their Reader in Equity,¹ it was ordered that the application be granted subject to the other Inns agreeing to do the same and that should there be any surplus it should remain to form the nucleus of an entertainment fund.

It was thereupon Resolved that Lincoln's Inn agrees with this Order, provided the other Inns agree to do the same. [pp. 236, 237]

Consequent upon the death of Joseph Alexander Wolfe Ordered that Mr. Justice Ungood-Thomas be elected Master of the Walks for the year beginning 11th January 1965. [p. 237]

"Received the Treasurer's report concerning the arrangements for the play to be performed by the Bar Theatrical Society on the 8th, 9th, 10th and 11th December upon which the following Orders were made: (i) the Curfew not to be rung at 9 p.m. (ii) all attending the Play are to enter the Hall by the entrance leading to the Lower Vestibule (iii) drinks to be served in the Upper Vestibule." [p. 238]

Extract from a letter of thanks from Sir Thomas Lund, C.B.E., Secretary of the Law Society

I will not pretend that this is the first time that I have dined or been entertained otherwise in Lincoln's Inn. It is, however certainly the first time upon which I have had the opportunity of dining with the Benchers and the special attraction was that you, as Master of the Rolls with your special relationship with my branch of the legal profession, should have been in the chair ... It is I believe, about 200 years since Solicitors have been entertained in your Hall. ... [pp. 238, 239]

¹ R.E. Megarry, Esq., Q.C.

"Ordered that permission be granted to the Holborn Law Society to incorporate in their newly constituted Coat of Arms the purple lion rampant contained in the arms of Lincoln's Inn." [p. 240]

Adjourned Council held on December 15th, 1964. [p. 242]

Forty-seven Benchers present.

Upon considering the report of the Committee of the four Inns of Court appointed to consider the proposals for a hostel, it was agreed in principle to give general approval to the recommendations made in paragraph 8 of the report without committing the Inn at this stage to any proposal. Extracts from the report follow

1. The need for a hostel

The Committee is satisfied that there is an urgent need for an Inns of Court Students' hostel to house Commonwealth Bar Students. Of an estimated total of 40,000 Commonwealth students in London, the greatest concentration is in the Inns of Court, which usually have over 3,000 Commonwealth students on their books. On the evidence before us, we accept that the majority of these students eke out a penurious existence in lodgings, often in most unsatisfactory surroundings. Quite apart from the undesirable social influences to which the students are at present subjected, the dispersal of the students over a wide area makes it difficult to establish friendships, to organise recreational activities, to better their social life, and to improve their knowledge of the English language. Many of those students will, on returning to their own countries, rapidly attain positions of prominence. It cannot be without advantage to this country that they should be reasonably housed and looked after, at least during the early part of their course, before they have learned to fend for themselves. We are convinced of the need for a hostel capable of housing Commonwealth Bar Students at least during the first year of their residence in this country.

2. The Building

If any impression is to be made on the requirements of the four Inns, no less than 500 places will have to be provided. There are, moreover, indications that other institutions, including the London medical schools and member colleges of London University, are interested in joining in the project. The Committee feels that a joint project with a reputable institution is worthy of consideration not only because of the financial contribution which such an institution might make to the capital cost of the building, but also for social reasons. For only a few white Bar students may wish to reside in the hostel, and some leavening from outside may be needed to avoid too great a concentration of coloured students. If a joint project is undertaken, a hostel for 750 students will probably be necessary.

3. The Site

An ideal site on the South Bank of the River Thames opposite the Temple has been brought to our attention. This site, which is of about 2 acres, is empty and is at present used as a car park. The present leaseholder, Sir Ian MacTaggart,

Bt. has generously offered to give up his interest in the site for the Inns of Court in favour of a project of this kind. The freeholders are the Greater London Council. The planning position is not yet at all easy, but we feel that the need for a hostel of this kind is so great and the site so appropriate, that this obstacle should be overcome. There are signs that the Greater London Council will, if the site is made available for the hostel, be prepared to grant a long lease of the site for this project for a moderate rent. Even if the site should fall through, there is no reason why an alternative, though possibly less desirable, site should not be acquired.

[The report then proceeds to examine in great detail the estimated capital and running costs of the project, how the money might be raised from the Inns, from the other participants and from the British Council. The Committee then examined how the hostel should be governed and administered, and concluded]

8. *Recommendations.* Accordingly we recommend

(1) That the four Inns of Court should decide in principle to participate in the construction and administration of a hostel for Commonwealth students on the basis that

(a) the hostel should have about 750 beds, of which 500 should be available for Bar students

(b) the financial contribution of the four Inns of Court to the capital cost should be limited to £250,000 in all.

(2) That this Committee should be empowered

(a) to investigate further the possibility of obtaining the site referred to above,

(b) to ascertain what other institutions are interested in participating in the project,

(c) to discover means of raising the balance of the sum required for the construction of the hostel,

(d) to make such other investigations as may be necessary. [pp. 241-246]

Received the Treasurer's report concerning the Committee of the Inns of Court Executive Council, the Council of Legal Education and the Law Society appointed to discuss matters in connection with transfer between the two branches of the profession....

Upon a consideration of the letter dated 30th November 1964 from the Chairman of the Bar Council it was Resolved that it would not be in the interest of the negotiations between the two branches of the profession with the object of facilitating transfer between the professions that there should be any representation of the General Council of the Bar on the joint committee or that Council representatives should be entitled to attend its meetings. It was further Resolved that the Treasurer be authorised to write to the Chairman of the General Council of the Bar, subject to the consent of the other Inns, and say that there was no objection to the Bar Council seeing a copy of the Legal Examinations Committee report. [pp. 246, 247]

"Agreed to accept Professor R.H. Graveson's proposed gift of a portrait of Lord Lyndhurst. Professor Graveson will not object if the portrait is cut down to size." [p. 247]

Approved the report of the Finance Committee which included the following item

"(i) That the Finance Committee had authorised that the income of the Droop Scholarship diminished by 50% by reason of the death of Mr. Droop should be made up by the Inn

"(ii) Report of the Staff Sub-Committee on the salary structures over the next four years: Under Treasurer increase from £2,000 to £2,300 p.a. Chief Clerk: increase from £1,500 to £1,750 plus 3 annual increments of £50 beginning 1st January 1966. Second Clerk: increase from £1,200 to £1,250 plus 3 annual increments of £50. Accountant: increase from £1,200 to £1,350 plus 3 annual increments of £50 beginning 1st January 1966. Third Clerk: increase from £850 to £950 p.a. plus 3 annual increments of £40 beginning 1st January 1966. Librarian: increase from £1,450 to £1,700 p.a. plus 3 annual increments of £50 beginning 1st January 1966. Assistant Librarian: increase from £875 to £950 p.a. plus 3 annual increments of £49 beginning 1st January 1966; Library Assistant: increase from £540 to £650 p.a. plus 3 annual increments of £30 beginning 1st January 1966. Miss Dolleymore, Miss Bates, Miss Manners and Miss Hodges all to receive an increase of £1 per week. Head Butler; increase from £900 to £950 p.a. Assistant Butler: increase from £780 to £850 p.a. Cook (C. Gordon) increase from £11 to £12.10 per week. Miss Kemp and Miss Toal increase of £1 per week. Five laundresses: increase from £4.10 to £5.5 per week..." [pp. 248, 249]

Approved the following report of the Buildings Committee

"Upon considering a reference from the Council of the 4th November 1964, concerning the parking of cars in the Inn by the Inner and Middle Temples, Recommend that licences granted to members of the Inner Temple¹ not being ad eundem members of this Inn be not renewed." [p. 249]

"Accepted the invitation received from the Council of the Law Society for Benchers of Lincoln's Inn to dine at the Law Society's Hall on Thursday, 8th April 1965." [p. 250]

"Accepted the offer from His Excellency the High Commissioner for Pakistan to have a painting made in oils of the Quaid-i Azram (the late Mr. Jinnah) for presentation to the Inn. The Treasurer was authorised to write a letter of thanks to the High Commissioner." [p. 250]

"Confirmed the appointment of Christopher Regan, Esq. as Organist to the Society from the 29th September 1964." [p. 250]

Received the Treasurer's report concerning the play "Much Ado About Nothing" performed by the Bar Theatrical Society from the 8th to the 11th December 1964. [p. 250]

¹ *Sic.* The Middle Temple is not mentioned. An oversight?

Treasurer: Lord Denning

The following Benchers died during the year

1. January 10 Sir Henry Wynn Parry
2. May 25 Arthur Henry Droop
3. September 21 John Herbert Stamp
4. November 17 Joseph Alexander Wolfe

Biographical notes

3. Stamp. b.1871. Junior equity counsel to the Board of Inland Revenue 1927-1954. Said to have declined a judgeship. Never took silk.

4. Wolfe. b.1896. Died in his chambers. Substantial practice at the Chancery Bar.

Elected

1. Thomas M. Shelford
2. Neil. N. McKinnon, Q.C.
3. Alfred Baden Fuller
4. Robert Stephen Lazarus, Q.C.
5. Nigel Sebastian Sommerville Warren, Q.C.
6. Edmund Gordon Wright

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Council held on January 20th, 1965. [p. 251]

Thirty-eight Benchers present.

Arising out of the minutes of the Adjourned Council held on 15th December 1964 "the Treasurer reported that the Middle Temple had rejected the suggestion that a copy of the Legal Education Committee's report should be sent officially to the General Council of the Bar. It was Resolved that, having regard to this and to similar views expressed by Gray's Inn and the Inner Temple, Lincoln's Inn accepts that a copy of this report should not be sent to the General Council of the Bar." [p. 251]

Pursuant to notice given Mr. Justice Stamp moved that Standing Order 9(a) be amended substituting "ten" for "five" Ordinary Benchers, it was thereupon Resolved that Standing Order 9(a) should be amended accordingly. [p. 252]

"Upon considering the dress to be worn by newly called Barristers on Call Days, it was Ordered that the old system be reverted to and that wigs and bands not be worn." [p. 253]

"Upon considering the procedure for calling for port during dessert, it was Resolved to make no order thereon." [p. 253]

"Upon considering an application made on behalf the Students Residential Centres for the use of the Hall for a fund raising fashion show in the autumn, it was Ordered that the application be refused." [p. 253]

"Granted the application made on behalf of the family of the late H.E. Chapman, Esq. a barrister of this Society, for the use of the Chapel for a Memorial Service."¹ [p. 254]

Council held on February 11th, 1965. [p. 255]

Thirty-four Benchers present.

Received the following report of the Buildings Committee which was approved.

Upon considering reports from (a) the Accountants to the Society (b) the Surveyor to the Society (c) the Under Treasurer with reference to introducing improved systems of financial control in relation to the Works Department, it was Resolved that a sub-committee ... be appointed to consider and report on the matter. [pp. 256, 257]

Received the following report of the Finance Committee which was approved.

Since the Picture Committee has a fund of £1124, inaugurated by Mr. Wilfrid Hunt, on which to draw, no budget be prepared for the Picture Committee until further notice.

Upon considering the Vice Chairman's report that the Coin Street scheme for an Inns of Court Students' hostel had fallen through it was resolved that no action be taken.

Upon considering reports concerning the "Survey of the Works Department" with a view to introducing improved systems of financial control it was agreed to appoint a sub-committee consisting of the Treasurer, the Vice Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Vice Chairman of the Buildings Committee with power to co-opt two other members, to consider and report. ... [p. 257]

"Upon receiving the report of the Garden Committee, authority was given for the removal of the thorn tree at the south east end of New Square: the question of the type of tree to be planted in replacement was referred back to the Garden Committee with power to plant a tree in its place." [pp. 257, 258]

"Upon considering the appointment of a Standing Committee for the welfare of students intending to practise at the English Bar, Ordered that the matter be approved in principle and the Treasurer to nominate the members of such committee." [p. 258]

Adjourned Council held on March 17th, 1965. [p. 262]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Sir Patrick Dean, G.C.M.G. was elected an Honorary Bencher. [p. 262]

The Treasurer, as Chairman of the New Building Executive Committee, reported as follows:

¹ Henry Esmond Chapman, admitted at the age of 41 to the Society on November 14, 1929

- (a) that the new building scheme in the north part of the Garden was in abeyance for the time being in consequence of Government policy
- (b) that a plan for rebuilding the southern tower of the Old Gateway and the southern part of Old Buildings (eastern half of 23, 24, 25 & 26 Old Buildings), together with the redevelopment of the Bishop's Court site was under consideration and was dependent upon obtaining a permit in accordance with the Control of Office and Industrial Development Act 1965. [p. 264]

Received the following report of the Garden Committee:

Upon considering the report of Mr. S.A. Pearce, Curator, Kew, resolved

1. *Three large plane trees in the Avenue from New Square.* It was resolved to defer action in this matter.
2. *New Square.* (a) Carry out thinning as advised on the two large plane trees at the east and west corners at the north end of New Square.
(b) No action to be taken at the moment on the two *Ailanthus* trees.
(c) The gardener to carry out the work as advised, on the Judas tree on the east side of New Square.
(d) That the *Davidia involucrata*, the "pocket handkerchief tree" be planted on the vacant space on the east side of New Square and that a *Prunus Subhirtella autumnalis* be planted to replace the thorn tree at the east end of New Square.
3. *Paved Gardens in front of Nos 12 & 13 New Square.* Approved the suggestion to replace the *Mahonia japonica* with Hydrangeas and transfer the Mahonia to the north end of the garden.
4. *Large specimen plane trees north of the Library.* Tree No. 1. Carry out thinning as advised. Tree No. 2. Remove the two lower limbs as soon as possible. Tree No. 3. Carry out thinning as advised. Other plane trees, carry out thinning.
5. *Line of Japanese cherries.* No action to be taken at the moment.
6. *New planting in north east corner.* That an "Indian Bean" *Catalpa bignonioides* be planted as advised. [pp. 264, 265]

Received the following report of the Chapel Committee

Recommend that the Rt. Rev. B.F. Simpson be appointed Preacher to the Society for the year to the 31st July 1966. [p. 265]

Council held on April 29th, 1965. [p. 268]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

"Approved the recommendation of the Joint Disciplinary Procedure Committee of the four Inns of Court that where publication of the charges, findings and decisions of a Bench occurs, such notification to the Press should be through the Press Association, Reuters Ltd, the Exchange Telegraph Co. and Central News Ltd." [p. 270]

"Received the report of the Inns of Court Students Advisory Committee dated the 18th March 1965. It was thereupon Resolved:

- (a) that the recommendation concerning the visit of overseas students to Cumberland Lodge involving expenditure of £100 by each Inn of Court be [subject to the] approval of the Finance Committee;
- (b) that Lincoln's Inn approves the payment of the sum of £25 from each Inn of Court for cricket equipment." [p. 270]

"The Treasurer reported that settlement had been effected with the Architect over the proposed new building overlooking Lincoln's Inn Fields and that application had been made for an Office Development Permit concerning the rebuilding of Nos. 1-7 Bishop's Court and half No. 23 and Nos. 24-26 Old Buildings." [p. 270]

"Upon receiving the interim report of the sub-committee of the Finance and Buildings Committees appointed to consider the operation of the Works Department with a view to introducing improved systems of financial control, it was Ordered that the sub-committee be given executive power to re-organise the Works Department as they think fit." [p. 272]

"Upon considering a letter from the Dean of the Chapel (Lord Pearce) concerning the Chapel Services, it was Resolved to refer the letter to the Chapel Committee to make recommendations for improved attendance at Chapel Services and to report generally." [p. 272]

Council held on May 20th, 1965. [p. 279]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Received a report of the Chapel Committee. The Treasurer reported that the Chapel Committee had met and appointed a sub-committee consisting of Judge Edward Clarke, Q.C., Mr. Justice Stamp and Mr. W.S. Wigglesworth to make recommendations for improving the attendance at Chapel services. Council authorised the Chapel committee to take such steps for improving attendances as they thought fit after hearing the recommendations of the sub-committee without further reference to Council. [pp. 279, 280]

"Upon considering a proposal by the Treasurer that, as an experiment this year, on one or more Private Guest Days Benchers and their guests should wear dinner jackets and dinner should be at 7.30 p.m., it was Resolved that these arrangements be made for the first guest day in Trinity Term 1965." [pp. 282, 283]

Council held on June 20th, 1965. [p. 284]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

"The Treasurer reported to the Council the progress of the scheme for rebuilding part of Old Buildings and Bishop's Court property and it was Ordered that power be given to the New Building Executive Committee to take executive action on receipt of the Office Development Permit." [p. 284]

"The Treasurer reported that he had received a communication from H.R.H. Princess Margaret, that owing to a visit to the United States, it will not be possible for Her Royal Highness and the Earl of Snowdon to dine in Hall during the forthcoming Michaelmas Term." [pp. 284, 285]

Received and approved the following report of the Buildings Committee

"Owing to the unsafe condition of the Statue of Queen Victoria and the canopy over the statue on the exterior south end of the Great Hall, Ordered that the statue and canopy be removed at a cost of £750." [p. 286]

"Received the Treasurer's report that, as a consequence of the serious shortage of waiters in Hall, he had authorised the employment of waitresses for the service of luncheons." [p. 287]

Received the Treasurer's report concerning the students' week-end at Cumberland Lodge, the Great Park, Windsor, from the 25th to 28th June 1965. The Treasurer stated that these week-ends are of great value and expressed the hope that Benchers would support them. The Treasurer undertook to write to the Royal Bencher (H.R.H. Princess Margaret) suggesting that she might like to visit the students during their week-end at Cumberland Lodge starting on 1st October. [p. 287]

"Granted an application made by R.E. Megarry, Esq., Q.C., LL.D.,¹ on behalf of the Society of Public Teachers of Law to hold its annual dinner in the Great Hall on Friday, 22nd July 1965." [p. 288]

Council held on July 28th, 1965. [p. 291]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

The Treasurer reported on the arrangements he had made for H.R.H. Princess Margaret and the Earl of Snowdon to meet the students of Lincoln's Inn during their week-end at Cumberland Lodge (1st to 4th October 1955). [p. 291]

"Upon receiving the minutes of the Inns of Court Executive Council dated 5th July 1965, it was Resolved that with regard to item 4 concerning the joint hospitality to the Union Internationale des Avocats Conference to be held in London in 1969, this Society approves the proposal in principle..." [p. 292]

Received the following report of the Chapel Committee concerning arrangements to be made to encourage better attendance at services which was approved.

With a view to increasing the congregation in Chapel your sub-committee appointed for the purpose recommends that the following steps be taken during the first week of October next.

1. That a letter signed by some of the members of the Chapel Committee be sent to all practising Barristers who are members of the Inn.
2. That a book be placed and kept throughout upon the table in the Barristers' entrance lobby to the Hall for entry therein of the names of Barristers and their guests attending Chapel and luncheon during the term. The book should have in it a page (with date at the top) for each Sunday during the term on which there will be a Chapel Service, and should be appropriately ruled.

¹ President of the Society for the year 1965-1966. For another President, see *ante*, p. 549.

3. That a place be reserved on the screen in the above-mentioned lobby for Chapel notices and that the notice of services be put up there.
4. That there be some amendment of the Chapel notices on the several screens within the Inn where Chapel notices are at present put, primarily to indicate the whereabouts of the Chapel.
5. That a notice signed by the Treasurer be put in the Students' Common Room and the Library.
6. That a letter be written to existing scholars and bursars signed by the Dean of the Chapel.
7. That a leaflet be given to all students on admission to the Inn.
8. That the notice in "The Times" be amended by substituting "Public invited" for "Public admitted" if the Times will agree.
9. That there be a notice in "The Daily Telegraph".
10. That the Treasurer be invited to mention the Chapel on Call Nights.
11. That those attending Chapel who are not Benchers be invited to sit further forward than they do at present. How far forward must depend on the number of Benchers expected to be in Chapel on the particular Sunday.
12. That a few of us be invited to take it in turns, week and week about, to keep an eye on the arrangements and be in Chapel on Sunday. The members of your sub-committee are willing to serve. [pp. 292, 293]

"The Treasurer reported that the Rev. Canon Fenton Morley, Vicar of Leeds, will deliver his sixth and last Warburton Lecture on Sunday, 28th November, 1965." [p. 293]

Received the following report of the Finance Committee:

(a) *The Society's accounts for the year ended 10th January 1965*

The Vice-Chairman's suggestion that an abbreviated account in the form which had been circulated to the Finance Committee and was before the meeting should also be circulated to Benchers with the Agenda for the next Council meeting was not adopted. Anxiety was expressed that if this were done some copy might be lost and find its way into the hands of some unauthorised person with consequent damage to the Society. In answer to the point made by the Vice-chairman that it was difficult for the Council to form an opinion on matters of importance which fell for consideration without having the financial position of the Society before it, it was pointed out the matters involving expenditure of the Society's monies which came before the Council were invariably referred back to the Finance Committee for consideration and recommendations. In the absence of an explanation of how the Society was run, which would not be given by anyone into whose hands the accounts came and also was mischievously inclined, the accounts could be used to suggest that an undue proportion of the Society's expenditure was derived from students' entrance fees and deposits. For similar reasons the alternative suggestion that copies of the abbreviated account should be on the table at a Council meeting was not adopted.

(b) *Churchill Memorial Appeal*

There was some discussion regarding this and it was agreed that because it was contrary to our usual practice to make donations to charities not connected with the law, no donation should be made unless Field Marshal Earl Alexander of Tunis made a personal appeal to the Society in which case the matter would be reconsidered.

(c) The report of the Staff Sub-Committee recommending the following increases from July 1st, 1965 was approved:

Miss Dolleymore (Senior Secretary) £3 per week to £17

Miss Manners (Junior Secretary) £2.10 per week to £13.10

Miss Bates (Receptionist) £1 per week to £13.10

Mrs. O'Connell (Term Clerk) £1 per week to £11

J. Murphy (Chief Porter) £52 p.a. to £729 (plus flat)

A. Sewer (Vegetable Cook) £1.10. per week to £15

Miss Hudson (Bench Cashier) 5/- per week to £1.10.

The Waiters and Waitresses increase from £1 to £1.5s. per day other than senior Waiters whose wages are to be increased from £1.5s. to £1.10s. per day.

(d) Pensions

(e) *Contribution of £250 towards establishing the scheme in connection with the proposed Inns of Court Students' hostel*

After some discussion, the Committee decided to pay the sum of £250 towards the expense of preparing plans and drawings for this project, provided

(a) that the other three Inns are prepared to do the same,

(b) that Lincoln's Inn is in no way committed at this stage to any further expenditure. [pp. 293-295]

"Ordered that the thanks of the Council be extended to His Honour J. Norman Daynes, Q.C. for his gift of two dozen Grand Cama de Lobos 1864 Solera." [p. 295]

"The Treasurer reported the receipt of the portrait of Qaid-In Azam Mohamed Ali Jinnah commissioned and to be officially presented to the Society by His Excellency Agha Kilaly, the High Commissioner for Pakistan, and that arrangements had been made for the formal presentation to the Inn at a ceremony to be held on Monday, 11th October, 1965, at 4.30 p.m." [pp. 295, 296]

"The Treasurer gave notice in accordance with Standing Order 28 that Standing Order 3 be amended so as to allow the Acting Treasurer, in the absence of the Treasurer, to perform all business duties including Calls to the Bench and Bar, and it was ordered that Standing Order 3 be amended accordingly." [p. 296]

Adjourned Council held on October 6th, 1965. [p. 297]

Thirty-six Benchers present.

Upon considering a communication on behalf of the Inns of Court and City Yeomanry seeking permission for the following wording to be put under

the Queen's Colour and the Regimental Colour of the Inns of Court Regiment in the Chapel

The Queen's Colour, Inns of Court Regiment

Presented by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, on 26th May, 1954, and laid up in this Chapel on 10th November 1963.

The Regimental Colour, Inns of Court Regiment

Presented by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth, the Queen Mother, on 26th May 1954, and laid up in this Chapel on 10th November 1963.

Ordered that the necessary permission be given subject to the inscription being engraved on brass, the Inn to have the work done and the bill to be sent to the Inns of Court and City Yeomanry. [p. 298]

"Received the Treasurer's report concerning the students' week-end at Cumberland Lodge from 1st to 4th October, 1965, at which Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret and the Earl of Snowdon attended one of the discussion groups." [p. 298]

Upon considering the proposal that Her Royal Highness the Princess Margaret should be invited to become Treasurer of the Society for the year 1967 or some later year, Ordered that the proposal be approved and that the Treasurer with Lord Pearce and Mr. Justice Buckley be appointed a sub-committee to consider detailed arrangements. [pp. 298, 299]

"Upon considering the Treasurer's proposal that dinner jackets should be worn by Benchers and their guests on Guest Days in future, it was Ordered that dinner jackets should be worn on one Guest Day in each term and on such occasions dinner should be at 7.15 for 7.30." [p. 299]

"Upon considering the Treasurer's proposal that the Under Treasurer should attend Council Meetings, it was Ordered that the Under Treasurer should attend the Council Meetings, except during an item of 'private business' (which should be on the Agenda for each meeting of the Council) and when asked to retire, and keep minutes to be approved by the Keeper of the Black Book." [p. 299]

Received the Treasurer's report that the Inn had been granted an Office Development Permit by the Board of Trade for the re-building of Bishop's Court and part of Old Buildings ... [p. 299]

"Approved the proposal to hold a musical evening in Hall after dinner during the Michaelmas Dining Term. It was left to the Treasurer to decide whether it should be organised by the Benchers or the Students after he had seen the students' representative." [p. 300]

"The Treasurer reported that he had received from Sir Gerald Kelly the gift of a portrait painted by him of the Rt. Hon. Viscount Maugham and a frame for the picture presented by the Rt. Hon. Viscount Simonds. The Council thereupon passed a Resolution expressing their grateful thanks for these most generous gifts, and the Treasurer was requested to write to the donors accordingly." [p. 301]

Council held on November 3rd, 1965. [p. 302]

Thirty-nine Benchers present.

Officers for 1966: [p. 305]

Treasurer: Rt. Hon. Lord Pearce

Master of the Library: Hon. Mr. Justice Buckley

Dean of the Chapel: Hon. Mr. Justice Ungood-Thomas

Keeper of the Black Book: Sir Louis Halle Gluckstein C.B.E., Q.C., D.L.

Master of the Walks: Cyril Montgomery White, Q.C.

The Treasurer reported the receipt of a communication from H.R.H. Princess Margaret accepting the Council's invitation to be Treasurer for 1967, and it was resolved that Mr. Justice Buckley be appointed to act as pro Treasurer for the year 1967 and that all arrangements for that year be committed to him.

The Treasurer mentioned a draft memorandum which he had prepared to be sent to Her Royal Highness relating to the Inn's functions which would be likely to occur during her year of office, which was approved.

It was further Resolved that Her Royal Highness' acceptance should be published as soon as suitable and that it be left to the Under Treasurer to get in touch with Major Griffin, the Press Secretary, Clarence House. [pp. 302, 303]

The Treasurer reported that he had given his consent for the students to arrange a musical evening on the 18th November, 1965. [p. 303]

Considered a memorandum from Lord Denning M.R. on the Inns of Court Students Hostel. The Treasurer reported that there had been a meeting of the four Treasurers with Lord Denning and they had come to the conclusion that nothing further could be done until the Hostel Committee of the four Inns of Court were in a position to produce a more detailed scheme. Lord Denning mentioned that there had been a meeting of the Hostel Committee with the Trustees of the site and their advisers, the results of which he thought to be satisfactory. [pp. 304, 305]

Received the Under Treasurer's report of the death of Edward Eardley-Wilmot, late a Bencher.

The Treasurer brought to the notice of the Council that Lincoln's Inn was the only Inn which adopted the practice of sending memorial cards to Her Majesty's Judges and, upon putting the matter to the Council, it was Resolved that the practice be continued.

Upon the Treasurer taking the decision of the Council as to whether or not an election is to be held at the next meeting, it was Resolved that the matter be reconsidered in the light of any proposals made before the next Council meeting.

Upon considering a proposal that George Mark Parbury be elected a bencher of this Honourable Society, it was Resolved that he be not elected. [p. 305]

"Received the Treasurer's report of the Works Department Sub-Committee. It was thereupon Ordered that authority be given to purchase new tables in the Hall at an estimated cost of £2,500." [p. 306]

Received the following report of the sub-committee appointed by the Council on the 30th June, 1965, to consider the proposal of the Bar Representation Committee for a Ball to be held at the Inn next summer.

The sub-committee recommended

(1) That it would be in the best interest of the Inn that a Ball should be held for members and their guests and the Committee suggest that a "Lincoln's Inn Midsummer's Night Ball" be held on Friday 24th June, 1966.

(2) That all arrangements for the occasion should be made by a sub-committee of three Benchers, with power to co-opt two members of the Bar Representation committee.

(3) On considering detailed figures it appeared that the cost of a double ticket would be £7, which would include buffet supper, breakfast and champagne: tickets for additional guests would be £3.10.0 each. The Committee were warned that minimum figures had been quoted, and they recommended to Council that a £300 subsidy be made.

Ordered that the matter be approved in principle, but that item (3) be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration. [p. 306]

"Upon considering a communication from Admiral Sir David Luce, First Sea Lord, concerning an appeal for funds to erect a memorial to the late Admiral of the Fleet Viscount Cunningham of Hyndhope, who was an Honorary Bencher of Lincoln's Inn, it was Ordered that a donation of twenty-five guineas be made." [p. 307]

Council held on November 25th, 1965. [p. 311]

Thirty-five Benchers present.

Called to the Bench: [p. 311]

Norman John Lee Brodrick, Q.C.

"Upon receiving the Treasurer's proposal concerning the writing up of the Black Book, it was Ordered that, with effect from the 11th January 1966, the Black Book be typed and that each page be numbered, initialled by the Keeper of the Black Book and eventually bound in the present form of the Black Book." [p. 314]

"Received the Treasurer's report concerning the visits of Boys from Public Schools in connection with the Home Students Scheme." [p. 314]

Adopted the report of the Joint Committee on the cost of food and wine in the Inn.

On the 5th December, 1964, the Council appointed a Joint Committee of the Finance, Kitchen and Wine Committees to report generally upon the cost of food and wine with particular reference to the losses incurred by the Inn.

The Joint Committee met on a number of occasions and caused detailed figures on costs of meals and wine for the year ended 10th January 1965, to be prepared by the Accountant. Newsom made a number of calculations with regard to the cost of wine consumed on a replacement basis.

These figures were prepared upon the basis that costs included (a) the actual cost of the food and wine, (b) wages for the butlers, waiters and kitchen staff, (c) overheads, rates, gas, electricity and solid fuel: where overheads could not be precisely determined—e.g. heating of the Hall and Library—this was split 50:50 between the two. This is slightly more favourable to the Hall or restaurant part of the main building than that approved by our auditors for the purposes of the annual accounts. Overheads were allocated in proportion to the prime cost of each type of meal.

While the cost of meals may seem high, the figures showed that the cost of food itself in relation to the total cost was only about one-third. It is the inescapable fact that the butlers and some of the kitchen staff, as a practical measure, must be kept on permanently: and out of dining term there are no dinners and so no receipts therefrom yet the wages of the permanent staff, [and] the cost of heating the Hall and rates continue.

The Committee were of opinion that the charges to Benchers and Barristers for meals, including wines, were much too low and should be increased for the reasons appearing in the following table which gives figures for the year 1964.

[It has been slightly abridged with the omission of the entries for Ladies nights]

<i>Type of meal</i>	<i>Av. loss per meal</i>	<i>Present charge</i>	<i>Recommended charge</i>
Bench Council dinners	38/2	17/6 (1950)	30/-
Bench rota dinners	50/8	N/C	20/-
Bar dinners	23/6	12/6 (1950)	17/6
Guest days Bench	30/6	25/-	30/-
Bar	27/9	12/6	20/-
Grand Days Bench	43/1	15/-	30/-
Bar	37/-	12/6	17/6
Sunday lunches	22/7	12/6 (1953)	see note 3

The average loss per dinner per Benchers, excluding rota dinners is 35/6d. The average loss per dinner per Barrister is 25/9d.

Notes:

1. It is recommended that no charge be made for official dinners such as the Law Tutors or Law Society.
2. No change in the charge to students is recommended as the loss is not large.
3. The Committee were prepared to recommend an increase in the cost of Sunday Lunches to 17/6d. but in view of the present drive to obtain a greater attendance they suggest this should be deferred for the present.

4. Lunches are not included in the table, but the total loss for the year 1964 was £8,277. No change, however, is recommended for two reasons. (i) Prices have recently been increased and it is not yet possible to calculate their effect on losses with any degree of accuracy. (ii) As a matter of policy the Inn has always accepted that it is its duty to provide for all those lunching in Hall a good meal at a cheap price which necessarily involves a substantial loss. [pp. 312, 313]

The Treasurer reported that the Inn had received the gift of an edition of Alexander Grammaticus dated 1498 from the Earl Beauchamp. The Council thereupon passed a resolution expressing their grateful thanks for this most generous gift, and the Treasurer was requested to write to the donor accordingly. [p. 316]

Adjourned Council held on December 16th, 1965. [p. 317]

Forty-two Benchers present.

"Granted the application of Samuel Olarewaju Ajileye for a duplicate certificate of Call, the original having been devoured by insects." [p. 321]

"Upon considering the report of the Inns of Court Students' Advisory Committee, it was Resolved that this Inn agrees in principle with the recommendation that one or, if thought fit, two, preliminary residential courses at Cumberland Lodge for overseas students be held in 1966 and that this Inn is prepared to guarantee £100 in respect of each course." [p. 322]

The Treasurer reported the gift by Professor A.L. Goodhart of a portrait of Sir Henry Hobart, Chief Justice of the Common Pleas (1613). A unanimous vote of thanks was accorded by the Council to Professor Goodhart for his most generous gift. [p. 322]

Treasurer: Lord Upjohn, C.B.E.

The following Benchers died during the year

1. October 12 Edward Eardley-Wilmot
2. November 24 Sir Harry Bevir Vaisey

Elected: Norman John Lee Brodrick, Q.C.

APPENDIX 1(a)

Lincoln's Inn
11th July 1916

INTERIM REPORT OF THE ECONOMY COMMITTEE

(Printed as amended by Council on 20th, 26th July 1916)

KITCHEN ACCOUNTS

1. As their first head of enquiry the Committee selected the matter of expenditure and receipt in respect of the Kitchen. This item appears in the accounts of the Inn under the head, "Kitchens and Buttery". For the year ending 10th January, 1916, the amount shown in the accounts is £3,714 14s. 3d., but this is arrived at after deducting a sum of £782 12s. 4d. ... received in respect of luncheons. Adding the last-mentioned sum, the debit entry becomes £4,497 6s. 7d. The total amount received from Bench, Bar and Students for Dinners and Luncheons was £1,468 15s. 10d. Upon this account, therefore, the Inn is out of pocket by the sum of £3,028 10s. 9d. This is exclusive of Wine. The Inn, in fact, supplies Commons at about one-third of their cost.

2. For examination and analysis the Committee divided the amount expended into two parts, viz.: (1) amount paid to tradesmen in purchase of provisions; (2) all other payments to the moment the meal is put on the table. The latter includes all costs of cooking and service, such as coals, wages of cooks, butlers, waiters and other servants, and laundry work.

3. The amount paid to tradesmen for provisions in the year to 10th January, 1916 was £2,422 7s. 9d. In order to form an opinion whether this sum is excessive, the Committee attributed to each meal, whether of Bench, Bar, Students or Staff, a sum which, after careful investigation and advice, seemed to be ample to provide the provisions included in the meal. They were careful to allow, if anything, too large a sum, for there is inevitable waste owing to (1) the way in which the meals are at present served under the mess system, and (2) the uncertainty as to the number who will attend. Upon making a calculation on this footing, they concluded that the cost of the provisions in the year ought not to have exceeded £1,758 11s. 6d. The excess was, therefore, £663 16s. 3d., or more than 27 per cent.

4. Similar investigations over (1) the year to 10th January, 1915, and (2) Michaelmas Term, 1915, resulted in showing excesses of £406 out of £2,672 (i.e., more than 15 per cent) and of £55 out of £297 (i.e., about 19 per cent). It may be fair to take it that provisions cost, on average, 20 per cent more than they ought.

5. The Committee investigated the accounts and have had the Kitchen Clerk (Mr Poyle) before them, but upon the present materials have been unable to come to any conclusion as to whether there is any waste going on, and, if so, in what direction.

In order to do this it is necessary that a different system of accounts should be adopted.

The Kitchen Clerk should keep a separate account of all provisions purchased for:—

- (A) Dinners in Hall
- (B) Luncheons for the Bench and Bar
- (C) Meals for the Staff.

Weekly summaries in respect of each of these heads should be furnished showing in detail:—

- (A) What provisions have been purchased for each class of meals, and the cost thereof.
- (B) How many meals have been provided in each class

The Kitchen Committee should as soon as practicable after the last day of each sitting consider the summaries up to date and report upon them to the Bench at the first convenient date distinguishing the periods within term and the periods out of term.

If this system (together with the further recommendation hereinafter contained) does not result in the detection of waste and the reduction of the cost of provisions to the right proportion, the Committee recommend that an expert be employed to investigate and report.

6. If no waste or leakage is proved to exist, the only alternative explanation of excessive expenditure upon provisions lies in the payment of excessive prices.

The only control that at present exists over the prices paid lies with the Kitchen Clerk. He orders the goods, sees them delivered, checks the accounts, and is thus daily in touch with the prices charged. But he has no authority or position or strength of character to enable him effectually to control prices. At present only one tradesman in each trade is employed—there is no competition. The Committee, on the one hand, do not suggest that unfair prices are charged, yet on the other they conclude that the Inn is paying first-class prices for no doubt first-class goods, but that the prices are in excess of what would probably be chargeable if there were competition and constant scrutiny to keep prices down. The Butcher's Account for the year 1914 was £746: for the year 1915 £718. The Fish and Poultry Account for 1914 was £541: for the year 1915 £404. Accounts of this magnitude, resulting in absolutely safe debts, ought to be exceptionally dealt with by the tradesmen. All the other accounts are open to the same observation.

7. The Committee conclude that there ought to be established an efficient and continuous control over prices, such as would be exercised by a first-rate house-keeper. This, they think, can, with the existing staff, be established only through the machinery of the Kitchen Committee acting through and with the continual

advice of the Steward. The active duties of housekeeper should be discharged by the Steward, with the Kitchen Clerk as his subordinate. It should be the duty of the Steward and the Kitchen Clerk to keep themselves always acquainted with current prices. The Kitchen Clerk should note whether the tradesmen are giving the Inn a proper advantage, more particularly as regards goods which he could purchase himself at a low rate if he went to the wholesale market. When the Kitchen Clerk observes that this is not being done, he should report to the Steward in order that the attention of the tradesmen may be called to the fact that they are not dealing as they ought with a good customer. The Steward should be daily in and about the kitchen to superintend the Kitchen Clerk and know what is going on.

8. Further, the Committee recommend that the orders should not be confined, as at present, to one tradesman in each trade, and it should be the Steward's duty to see that the orders are placed to the best advantage of the Inn. The present monopoly (for such it is) should be ended and competition introduced as far as reasonably possible.

9. **Wages.** The Committee have investigated the wages of the Staff now employed in the kitchen and the payments made to Waiters, and are not prepared to say that any saving can be made.

10. **Laundry.** The Laundry charges are very heavy. The Head Butler reports that the laundry work is well done. It has been ascertained that another Inn has a contract at a half-penny a piece all round, and the House of Lords at three farthings a-piece all round. The charges this Inn is paying are very largely greater—so much greater as not to be comparable at all. The Laundry work can be divided into two classes: (1) Table cloths and napkins of valuable linen, and (2) everything else, including towels, dusters, rubbers and so on. The Committee recommend that it be so divided, and separate contract prices obtained for each class. It may be that the present laundry would be prepared to take one or both contracts.

11. **Service of Meals.** Assuming that there is not waste elsewhere, the Committee are satisfied that there is and must be waste arising from the service of a separate joint of meat to each Mess. Soup, fish and pudding can without much waste be served separately to each Mess. Meat and vegetables cannot. The Committee do not go so far at present as to recommend the abolition of the Mess system altogether. They do, however, recommend that all joints for the dinners in Hall shall be carved in the Kitchen, and the vegetables handed round the tables irrespective of their subdivision into Messes. The carved meat could, at the Bar and Students' Tables, be served in a covered dish to each Mess, or carried round in one dish to all the tables in turn.

One result of this would be that there would be less broken meat left to be consumed by the Staff. It is at present an extravagance to feed the Staff on the broken remains of first-class meat bought at first-class prices. When it is necessary to purchase meat for the Staff the less expensive joints should be bought. It might be well that for this purpose another butcher (not having an address in or about Piccadilly) charging more moderate prices should be employed.

12. **Payment for Meals.** In addition to economies on the one side of the account, the Committee recommend increased payment for meals on the other. The Students already pay 21/- a term, and for that are entitled to six dinners—for each additional dinner they pay 2/-. Some of them do not dine more than three times. They have, no doubt, made the arrangements on the footing that their expenses will be a certain sum. The Committee do not recommend that they be called upon to pay more. The Bar pay 2/6 for each dinner.

As regards the Bench, the facts are as follows: A Bencher at present pays 3/- for each dinner that he takes. The purchase cost alone of the provisions certainly largely exceeds this sum. The payment of 3/- is no adequate payment for the meal. The Committee have considered how this discrepancy should be dealt with. The course they propose is not without precedent in the case of other Inns, and is one which appeals to the corporate feeling of all the members of the Society. They suggest that every Bencher be charged a term fee of 25/- whether he dines or not. This term fee to cover five dinners in term, and that for every dinner in any one term exceeding five he shall pay 5/-. The Committee consider that this proposal can only be put forward if it meets with the approval of those who will be affected by it. With this Report is enclosed a slip with a request that any Bencher who may not be able to attend the Council before which the Report comes, may say whether the proposal has his approval.

As regards Luncheon, they recommend that both in the Bench Room and the Bar Room a sum of three pence shall be added to each luncheon bill under the head of War Charge.

THE CHAPEL

13. As their second head of enquiry the Committee took the question of The Chapel. The material facts here to be borne in mind are as follows:—

14. **Existing Engagements.** The Preacher holds office until Christmas 1917 at £200 per annum. The Chaplain until October, 1918, at £350 per annum. The Organist holds at six months' notice: salary £150 per annum. Six Men Singers are employed subject to six months' notice, £276 a year. Twelve Chorister Boys remain normally during good behaviour until their voices break, £73 a year, and School Fees, £225 6s. 6d. a year. There are other payments for extra singers, for memorial services, for the Chapel Clerk, and so on.

15. **Receipts.** Every Student pays 5s. a term Chapel Dues, and upon his call pays £12 composition for Dues. The receipts for the last six years have been as follows:—

	1911		1912		1913		1914		1915		1916	
	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d
Chapel dues	608	10 0	738	10 0	711	0 0	667	5 0	586	14 6	509	7 0
Compositions	612	0 0	912	0 0	1308	0 0	1572	0 0	984	0 0	768	0 0
TOTAL £	1220	10	1650	10	2019	0 0	2239	5 0	1570	14 6	1277	7 0

The expenses in the same years have been:—

1911		1912		1913		1914		1915		1916	
£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d	£	s d
1457	0 0	1655	0 0	1444	0 0	1412	0 0	1821	0 0	1503	0 0

The average of the receipts over the six years is £1,680 a year.

The average of the expenses over the six years is £1,554 a year.

16. The Compositions for Dues are not, of course, annual receipts, but inasmuch as in a normal period of time they repeat themselves normally year by year they may for the present purpose be treated as annual receipts, except that the years 1913, 1914, were abnormally productive. Disregarding those two years, the average of receipts is £1,429, and the average cost is £1,609. But as against these figures there is the fact that during those four years £639 7s. 5d. was expended for building purposes, being, of course, an extraordinary expense.

17. The outcome is that the Chapel on this footing at present just about pays its way. But, on the other hand, the dues and compositions which are paid might appropriately be thrown in with other receipts from Students, and any saving made on the Chapel would go in aid of other disbursements for Students.

18. The Committee recommend that in future the word "Chapel" should be dropped in the description of Dues and that they should be styled Dues simply.

19. The Committee have had under consideration a scheme for an amended and less expensive user of the Chapel as follows

"(1) That the Services be held only in the Dining Terms.

"(2) That the Chaplain (or Preacher) be abolished; the one remaining to be paid about £225 a year, providing his own assistant if he wants one.

"(3) An Organist, to receive, say, £100 a year.

"(4) Six men: costing about £90 or £100.

"(5) Ten boys from the London School of Choristers: costing about £50."

20. The number of Sundays in the Legal Terms (above called the Dining Terms) is 13 or 14. The payments above suggested have to be regarded accordingly. The Committee think they are certainly adequate. If the Bench approve some such scheme as the above, the question of salaries should be looked into.

21. The Committee think that a scheme upon the above lines is desirable. They are unanimously of opinion that to discontinue the Chapel altogether is not desirable. On the other hand, they consider that the expense is at present very largely in excess of that which is justified by the circumstances. The Inn, according to all its traditions and to the traditions of all similar ancient institutions, ought to have its Chaplain, and ought to have the means of taking part in the religious observances from time to time, whether national or domestic, which call for public observance. Any national Service upon the accession or death

or recovery from serious illness of a Monarch may be given as an illustration of the one. A Memorial Service for a Benchers is an instance of the other. The Committee consider that one Chaplain may well serve for all that is required. His duties shall include: (1) The conduct of Divine Service and preaching on every Sunday in Term. (2) Attendance at and conducting the Service at every Memorial Service and every Special Service such as some National occasion. (3) Dining in Hall and saying grace from time to time, say five times in the term, including in these Grand Night and Council Nights.

22. The Committee hope and anticipated that if the Preacher at every Service in the Chapel is some recognized and able Churchman, a congregation on the Sundays when the Chapel is known to be open is more likely to be obtained than at present.

23. The question has been carefully considered as to the possibility of making the alterations proposed (should the Benchers approve) consistently with the existing arrangements. Upon this the Committee suggest that six months' notice, expiring at Lady Day, should be given to the Organist and the Men Singers, accompanied, of course, by a courteous intimation that it is given with a view to contemplated alterations in the Service. Some of the Chorister Boys, it is believed, will shortly be leaving in ordinary course. The services of the younger ones should be continued if possible, and their School fees paid until they would normally fall out. There remain the Preacher and the Chaplain. The former would, no doubt, fall in with the scheme and accept a new engagement under the new name (so far as he is concerned) of Chaplain, and at such a new salary as may be agreed. There would remain a year and a half during which the present Chaplain would be entitled to his salary of £350 a year. This would have to be dealt with as might be possible.

24. As regards the future of the Chapel, the Treasurer has a further scheme, too ambitious and too expensive to be entertained at present, but which he is desirous of keeping on record in this report for consideration if and when the proper time comes. It is as follows:—

Put the Choir at the East End of the Chapel on either side of the Communion Table. Divide the Chapel by a dark oak screen about the middle of its length. Put all the congregation into the Inner Chapel on the East of the screen, unless and until it overflows into the Ante-Chapel on the West side of the screen. Appropriate to the Benchers, say, the eight front pews in the centre block. Put the Benchers' ladies into the like front pews in the two side blocks. Put the general public in the remaining pews on the East of the screen. The result, the Treasurer thinks, would be to bring the Congregation together; to relieve the present feeling of depression necessarily arising from a sparsely occupied Church, and to give life and spirit to the Service. If the younger Benchers would from time to time attend and ask their friends to attend in Term, when a good preacher is always to be found, a new life might be given to a Service which is now largely thrown away.

The Committee submit this interim report with a view to taking the opinion of the Bench at once upon the matters above dealt with. They are prosecuting their enquiries upon other matters, and hope to prepare their report upon

them before the end of the present month. But upon these matters it will not be possible to take the opinion of the Bench before the Long Vacation.

WRENBURY (*Treasurer*)

MUIR MACKENZIE

P. OGDEN LAWRENCE

ALBERT H. JESSEL

MALCOLM M. MACNAGHTEN

APPENDIX 1(b)

Lincoln's Inn
31st July 1916

FURTHER INTERIM REPORT OF THE ECONOMY COMMITTEE

(Printed as amended by Council on 18th October 1916)

REPAIRS

1. The following tabulated Statement shows the Rentals, Costs of Repairs and Architect's Office, and percentage of the latter to the former in each of the last six years:—

	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Rentals	17,160	17,568	17,640	17,432	17,697	16,959
Repairs & Architects Office	3,416	4,617	2,956	3,666	4,171	2,632
Percentages	19.9	26.13	16.2	21.03	23.5	15.5

The year 1915 cannot be taken to be a normal year. In the course of that year the building clerk's accounts were found to be in confusion, and the expenses incurred were no doubt not exhaustively ascertained and paid. The sum of £2,632 is, of course, simply the amount paid.

2. The percentages are high, but this will to some extent be accounted for if it be the fact that the rentals charged by the Inn are unduly low. However this may be, the Committee regard the percentages as high. Mr. Simpson, the Society's Architect, is not completely satisfied with the expenditure, and has every hope of reducing it under a new arrangement made six months ago by the Building Committee, which has given him entire supervision over the whole matter instead of relying as before, to some extent, on the building clerk.

3. The Inn keep a permanent Staff of six men: one of each of the trades of carpenter, bricklayer, and plumber, with a labourer to each. This permanent Staff receives addition of further men from week to week as is required. The numbers employed vary very much from time to time. After the air raid, for instance, of October 13th, 1915, the number rose as high as 32. In a normal Long Vacation the number sometimes rises as high as

1912	1913	1914	1915
46	43	38	28

4. The following tabulated statement shows the amount expended in each of the above six years for Labour (i.e., wages paid to our own Staff), Materials (i.e., materials supplied for work done by our own staff) and Contract Work. The addition of the two former is to be contrasted with the latter:—

	1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Labour	1,559	2,142	1,768	1,749	1,856	1,977
Materials	1,212	1,458	942	1,166	1,614	651
	£2,772	£3,600	£2,710	£2,915	£3,470	£2,628
Contract work	£343	£731	Nil	£448	£374	£816

But a small part of the work therefore is done by Contract. The Committee have had the advantage of the advice and assistance of Mr. Simpson, the Architect to the Society, and he has made a most valuable report, which will be brought before the Bench at the same time as this present report.

The following general observations are based upon information given by Mr. Simpson to the Committee:—

5. Work cannot advantageously be put to Contract by tender unless a close specification can be got out. In any other case, extras come to be a large addition to the Contract price—or if the Contractor is required to take upon himself the risk of further work being found necessary in the course of the repair, he adds a large sum to cover eventualities. When circumstances allow, Contract work is more economical than work done by our own staff. The Contractor gets more work per hour out of his men than we can, and escapes more than we can waste by time unoccupied. Even after adding his profit, the cost of the work comes out at less.

6. Much of our work is not such as can be the subject of specification and tender. But more could be rendered such if the subjoined recommendations were adopted.

7. The Agreements under which our Chambers are let provide that the tenant shall keep and deliver up the premises in good and tenantable repair and condition (reasonable use and wear thereof only excepted).

But the Inn does not, in fact, throw upon its tenants the obligation expressed by those words. The practice is that every repair, even down to the replacement of a broken sash line, or of a broken window and the like, are done by the Inn. The expense to the Inn of such trifling repairs is substantial.

The Committee recommend that the tenants be required to repair according to the obligation of their tenancy agreements, except as to the cases included in the first paragraph, in which cases the present practice is not to be disturbed.

8. A substantial part of the yearly repairs consists in the repainting of Chambers. The Inn is extraordinarily generous in doing this, so as to give the least inconvenience to the tenant. It seldom or never gets vacant possession of the rooms for the time necessary for the work—or even uninterrupted

possession of even one room at a time. The work is done piece-meal with intervals of interruption, so as to suit the convenience of the tenant. It is impossible to do the work by contract in such a manner. The practice very largely increases the cost to ourselves.

9. The Committee recommend that repainting work should, in the absence of special circumstances, be done only during the Long Vacation, or when the Chambers are unlet, or a time when the tenant is prepared to give possession for the necessary period. If in the Long Vacation there were two, or ten, or any number of Chambers to be repainted, and they could be handed over for the necessary time, a Contract could be obtained for the work at a cost substantially below the present cost. A saving of 10 per cent. could probably be made.

10. Mr. Simpson's view is, and the Committee agree, that the present system of employing a small building staff is the most favourable to the Society, and that we should seek to reduce expense by careful buying and close supervision of work executed by the men, and by placing work with Contractors whenever we can do so with advantage.

ARREARS

11. The arrears at the end of each Financial year for the last six years have been as follows:—

1910	1911	1912	1913	1914	1915
£	£	£	£	£	£
11,635	12,034	12,925	12,422	13,158	13,032

The important items under this head (taking the year 1915) are:—

Arrears of Rentals	£9,800
Arrears of Commons	1,258
Arrears of Dues	1,803
	<u>£12,861</u>

12. For the purpose of the audited accounts from which these figures are taken all amounts due and unpaid, although quite recent, are of course included. To arrive at what may more properly be called "arrears" we have deducted from these sums the amounts which fell due during the previous twelve months and remained unpaid. Thus corrected the figures become for 1915:—

Arrears of Rentals	£1,588
Arrears of Commons	571
Arrears of Dues	1,293
	<u>£3,452</u>

Dividing these into arrears of more than six and less than six years' old, the result is as follows:—

Arrears	More than six years' old	Less than six years' old	Total
	£	£	£
Rentals	170	1,418	1,588
Commons	347	224	571
Dues	1,050	243	1,293
			<u>£3,452</u>

RENTALS

13. The arrears of Rents are not in a satisfactory condition. The practice is that the Steward, from time to time, brings to the notice of the Finance Committee such cases of arrear as he thinks ought to be dealt with. The worst that happens is that the case is "referred to the Solicitor". The Solicitor writes a letter to the tenant, and if the case be a bad one (and there are such) the matter stops there.

14. The Committee recommend that a tabulated statement be compiled in the form appearing in skeleton in the Schedule to this report, and be henceforward kept up to date at the end of each financial year. This will show at a glance for how many half-years the tenant is in arrear, and whether he has from time to time been increasing or reducing the amount due from him. A comparison of the fourth column, which shows the yearly rent with the last column, which shows the amount due, will disclose the number of half-years rent which is unpaid. A comparison of the columns from left to right will disclose whether the tenant has been increasing or reducing his debt. The Finance Committee should from time to time examine the statement, and at the end of each financial year should report to the Bench in the matter.

15. The Committee suggest that a general instruction should be given to the Finance Committee as to the policy which, in the opinion of the Bench, should be pursued. The unlimited latitude which at present is given to the tenants ought, in the opinion of the Committee, to be reduced. Except under exceptional circumstances, an arrear in excess of two half-years should not be allowed. If payment is not made, the tenancy should be determined and proceedings taken to recover the debt.

COMMONS

16. The Committee do not see their way to suggest a similar tabulated statement of arrears of Commons. As the Bench have not approved the recommendation as to payment for Commons in cash at the time, the Committee think that the remedy in this case must be by screening the names of members in arrear for more than a defined time with the amount due from them, and putting them out of Commons until the arrears are paid. If payment does not result, proceedings should be taken. There are cases of non-payment for Commons which can only be described as dishonest. There is a case, for instance, of a member who from 1907 to 1914 dined every Grand Day, with

two exceptions, and has never paid a penny. In 1915 and 1916, when there was no Grand Day, he has not dined at all.

DUES

17. These are the aggregate sums of £1 every year payable by members who have not compounded. If a Student is called, he has to pay up his dues to the time of his Call, and to compound for his future dues. If he is not called, and yet does not leave the Society, his dues run on year after year, and perhaps are never paid. The Committee recommend that the latter class be dealt with by imposing a penalty that the name of a member (not called) who falls into arrear for, say, three years, and after a definite notice does not make payment, may be removed from the Society.

COMMONS AND DUES

18. Further the Committee recommended:—

(A) That the arrears of Commons and Dues now existing be dealt with as follows: To any member who is in arrear for more than a year, a printed notice in a form to be settled by the Finance Committee shall be sent asking for payment, and stating that in default of payment within three months his name and the amount due from him will be liable to be screened in the Hall, and he will be put out of Commons.

(B) That future arrears of Commons and Dues be dealt with as follows: The accounts for Commons and Dues shall be sent out in October each year. If by the ensuing 31st December the member has not paid his account, a printed notice in a form to be settled by the Finance Committee shall be sent him to the effect that in default of payment within a further three months his name and the amount due from him will be screened in the Hall and he will be put out of Commons. In the case of a member who is not called, and notwithstanding the above notice falls into arrear for three years, the further penalty above recommended will ensue, and he will be liable to have his name removed from the Society.

In any case or class of cases the Finance Committee shall have a discretion as to acting, or not acting, in accordance with these Directions.

19. The matter might be dealt with in another way, and that is by requiring every Student to deposit Cash and not by way of Bond, a sufficient sum to cover his prospective liabilities and to take from his Deposit Account from time to time the amount due from him. The relevant considerations here are two, viz.: (1) That it may not be easy for the young man to find in cash more than he has to find already, and (2) That such a course might not be expedient unless all the Inns adopted the same policy.

20. But further, the Committee think that the Inn should not be so reluctant as it has been in the past to call on members, or those who have guaranteed by Bond that the obligations of the member shall be met, to discharge their liabilities. In the case of members who are in arrear, they think that the member should be informed that if his debt is not discharged his bondsmen

will be called upon, and if payment does not result that application for payment should be made to the guarantors. If this is also fruitless, such proceedings should be taken against the member of the guarantors, or both, as the Finance Committee think expedient.

SALARIES AND ESTABLISHMENT EXPENSES GENERALLY

The annual Salaries paid amount in the aggregate to about £5,370 a year. Other Salaries and Wages, payable weekly or otherwise, amount to about £2,000 a year. The total amount, therefore, is about £7,370 a year.

In October the Committee propose to extend their enquiry into an investigation of the numbers of the Staff employed in the different departments, and of the Establishment expenses generally.

The subject is too large for it to be possible to cover the ground within the time now at their disposal.

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THE SCHEDULE

Name	Chambers	Tenancy commenced	Yearly rent	Due 10th January 1911	Due 10th January 1912	Due 10th January 1913	Due 10th January 1914	Due 10th January 1915	Due 10th January 1916
			£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d	£ s d
A.B.	14 Old Square	25 March, 1892	100 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0	50 0 0
C.D.	7 New Square	24 June, 1911	45 0 0	—	11 5 0	11 5 0	11 5 0	—	11 5 0
E.F.	16 Old Buildings	24 June, 1914	35 0 0	—	—	—	—	17 10 0	17 10 0
G.H.	late 27 Old Buildings	24 June, 1909	80 0 0	20 0 0	40 0 0	60 0 0	40 0 0	60 0 0	80 0 0

APPENDIX 1(c)

Lincoln's Inn
2nd December 1916

THIRD AND FINAL REPORT OF THE ECONOMY COMMITTEE

DOMESTIC EXPENSES

1. The heading "Domestic Expenses" is intended to convey those expenses which are incurred by reason of the occupation and use by the Members of the Hall, the Bench Rooms, the Bar Rooms and the Garden. This includes the wages of indoor servants—such as Butlers, Waiters, Cooks and Kitchen Porters; Lighting, Heating, Cleaning; Provisions and Wines; the wages of outdoor servants employed in the Garden and at the Gates, and in watching and guarding the Inn and New Square, and some items which cannot be reduced with a view to economy, viz.: Rates and Taxes, Water Rates and Fire Insurance. These last are printed in italics. It excludes expenses attributable to the Library, the Steward's Office and the Chapel.

2. The total sum to be considered is £8,870 9s. 6d. a year. It may be divided under heads as in the following table:—

	Salaries and wages			Other expenses		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
A. Indoor Servants						
First Butler—Romain, £190 & residence				190	0	0
Second Butler—Hutchins (Bench Butler)				120	0	0
Third Butler—Clift (Bar Butler)				110	0	0
Usher of the Hall (Topley) £115 6s & residence				115	6	0
2 Vestibule Porters—Winter (upstairs)				145	16	0
W. Carpenter (downstairs)						
(W. Carpenter is now absent, munition making)						
2 Laundresses for cleaning etc				60	4	0
Servants' licences				12	6	0
Liveries				5	15	6
B. Outdoor Servants						
Chief Porter (Brock) £140 and residence				140	0	0
Night Watch Master (Woolgar)				91	0	0
10 Supernumerary Porters at 24s a week	630	17	0			
Extra for Night Watch duty at 5d an hour	243	16	10			
				874	13	10
Garden Porter				65	0	0

		Salaries and wages	Other expenses
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
C. Fuel and Lighting			
Coal	324 6 6		
Coke	128 6 8		
Wood	42 0 0		
Porters' coal carrying	3 19 11		
Sweeps' accounts	18 12 0		
Gas	270 10 2		
Electric Light	75 19 11		
Electric Lamps	5 19 3		
Electrician	5 19 3		
Benham, repairs to heating apparatus	46 8 0		
Heathman, Fire Hose, repair and renewal	11 8 3		
			935 5 10
D. Materials for cleaning, etc			
London Soap & Candle Company for Soap, Flannel, Candles etc. etc.	38 6 10		
Wallis & Co. for Flannel, Brooms, Scrubbers etc. (including Linoleum for chief porter's lodge £4 4s. 4d.)	18 3 4		
Nettlefold for Brooms etc.	2 3 9		
Spongy Iron Filter Co. Cleaning Filter	1 2 3		
Sundries	4 15 7		
			64 11 9
E. Various Items			
Linen, Washing	138 1 10		
Linen, Purchase and Repairs	26 3 3		
Re-tinning Vessels, Renewals, etc.	36 1 6		
Telephones	22 10 0		
Usher of Hall (Petty payments)	9 18 6		
Gillet & Johnson-Clocks, winding & repairs	25 0 0		
Newspapers	6 14 0		
Cause List	3 3 0		
			267 12 1
F. Garden			
2 Gardeners—W. Aldridge, £90 a year, E. Dayer, 25s a week;		282 4 0	
Under-Gardener & Stoker, D. Blake, 28s a week			
Plants, Seeds, and Manure			32 18 5
G. Fixed items			
<i>Rates and Taxes</i>	1,387 10 9		
<i>Water Rate</i>	192 10 0		
<i>Fire Insurance</i>	92 17 8		
			1,672 18 5
H. Extraordinary			
Edgington, for Tent	48 0 0		
Air Raid—Gift to Porters	11 8 0		
			59 8 0

			Salaries and wages			Other expenses		
			£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
I. Kitchen								
Cooks, Kitchen Clerk, & Kitchen Porter			577	11	10			
Waiters			354	5	8			
Wine Clerk			10	0	0			
Goods supplied						2,422	7	9
Cigars and Minerals						172	9	4
Printing Menus, Luncheon Bills etc						15	8	6
Wines and Spirits purchased			76	19	10			
Less Sales			3	13	3			
						73	6	7
Salaries	£3,154	2 10						
Other expenses	£5,716	6 8						
	£8,870	9 6	3,154	2 10		5,716	6 8	

3. As to head A "Indoor Servants" and B "Outdoor Servants" the Committee are of opinion that if the engagement of the Staff, the assignment of the several duties, and the scale of salaries and wages to be paid, could be taken in hand *de novo* the expense could be materially reduced. But they do not think that the Society would be prepared, either to dismiss servants, who in the large majority of cases have been in their service for many years, or, in the existing state of things, to reduce salaries and wages. They, therefore, confine themselves to pointing out matters in which, when vacancies occur, alteration might be introduced.

4. As to A—There are three Butlers employed and paid throughout the year. During many months in the year their services are quite superfluous. There must be a Head Butler continuously employed as the Head Servant responsible at all times for the property in his charge. During the Dining Terms, and in a less degree, during so much of the sittings as is not included in the Dining Terms, further Butlers are required. These should be engaged as Term Butlers.

5. The Usher of the Hall stands in a position similar to that of the Under Butlers. His employment should be a Term employment, not a continuous employment.

6. One of the two Vestibule Porters might well be dispensed with. At present one is away at munition work and the Committee do not find that any difficulty arises. Among the Under Butlers, the Kitchen Clerk and the Upper Vestibule Porter there should be no difficulty in providing for such attendance as is necessary in the Lower Vestibule.

7. As to B—The great expense under this head is the Night Watching of the Inn. During the night Woolgar, the Night Watch Master, has charge from 10 o'clock p.m. with the night porters under him, viz., One at the Stone Buildings Gate, Two at the Lincoln's Inn Fields Gate, Two at the Old Gateway, One at the

Carey Street Gate and One fireman in charge of the Fire appliances in the Hall and Library Buildings. The Inn and the Staircases and the Gardens are patrolled at intervals during the night. The Police have the right to enter and do enter and patrol the Inn also, but they have no right to patrol and do not patrol the Staircases. If each Staircase were closed at night by an outer door which might be either a telescoping iron door or a wooden door which could more easily be broken open in case of fire the task of the night watch could be greatly simplified and so large a number of men would be unnecessary. One man at the principal Gate in Chancery Lane who could awaken Brock, the Head Porter, if necessary, might suffice.

8. Under S. 13 of the Lincoln's Inn Act 1860, however, the Society owe to the proprietors of Chambers in New Square the duty of *inter alia* watching the premises. Any such scheme of erecting entrance doors at the foot of each Staircase and reducing the watching precautions at night would probably be impossible except with the concurrence of the New Square proprietors.

9. At present there are ten Supernumerary Porters. Their duties include the scavenging the roads, footways and areas, removing the dust and refuse from the Chambers, washing down and cleaning the Staircases and the inside of the windows. Each of the porters has four or five Staircases to look after. Each is bound to make three night attendances in each week. For the above duties his wage is 24s. a week. For all extra hours of night attendance a man receives five pence an hour. No less than £243 16s. 10d. is thus paid in the year for overtime. The total wage of the ten porters is no less than £874 13s. 10d. a year, and of this sum £509 3s. 4d. is attributable to night watch duty, having regard to the fact that the weekly wage of 24s. includes three night attendances in each week.

The Committee regard this as an enormous expense.

10. At the moment there are only eight of these porters. A vacancy has occurred in the case of one man, and another has been absent temporarily. The Committee consider that an enquiry should be taken in hand by the Building Committee as to the number of such porters really required and as to the payments for night watching.

11. In addition to the foregoing there is a man styled the Garden Porter. He is a servant in livery, who throughout the day perambulates the Garden to keep order, exclude unauthorized persons, and so on.

12. Another man (William John Ward), also in livery, perambulates New Square and Old Buildings throughout the day, discharging similar duties there. Other part of this latter man's duty is to keep the Chapel in order, dusting the books, etc., on Saturday morning, and covering up on Monday. He is styled the Under Chapel Keeper. His wages are 28s. a week, and are charged in the Chapel Account. He acts as Chief Porter when that servant has leave of absence, and out of term is Acting Night Watch Master on alternate Sundays.

13. The Committee are of opinion that one of these two men is superfluous. One man can quite well perambulate the whole area.

If it were necessary the gate at the garden might be kept locked, and members or residents might be supplied with a key on a small payment. The above work in the Chapel cannot involve much labour: the Chapel is never used except for one service on Sundays—and that not every Sunday. That work might be added to that of the supernumerary porters, or (as in most churches) be done by a charwoman.

14. As to C, D, E—Upon these no question of principle arises except that the item of Porters for Coal carrying is in the opinion of the Committee one which not be the subject of an additional payment. This should be a part of the ordinary duty and covered by the ordinary wage of all or some of the porters.

15. There are many items, such as payments for Coal, Coke, Wood, Brooms, etc., which as matter of detail ought to be carefully scrutinized and kept down by the Steward.

16. As regards coal, coke and kindling wood. The chief consumption of coal is:—

(A) in the Kitchen for which a separate cellar is kept and less expensive coal is ordered

(B) in the Benchers' Rooms, Barristers' Luncheon Room, Steward's Office, Still Room, Pantry, etc., and Romain's apartments (13 fireplaces).

17. As regards (A) it is impossible to tell whether any and what waste of coal is going on in the kitchen without making a test over an extended period. The Kitchen Committee should keep this matter in mind, and after acquiring the necessary data during this winter, see whether any and what economy can be effected.

18. As regards (B) it is the fact that the fireplaces are very large and old-fashioned consuming much more coal and giving out less heat than the modern type. The Committee, however, do not see their way at the present time to recommend an extensive alteration of fireplaces which could involve considerable and immediate expenditure. They, however, recommend that the Steward should, by the insertion of fire bricks and fire balls in all the fireplaces reduce the consumption of coal as much as possible.

19. The Committee find that coal is bought at the lowest summer prices once a year. In July, 1916, 33s. for best and 31s. for kitchen coal was paid.

20. The chief consumption of coke is in the boilers used for heating the Hall Buildings, the Chapel, and the Old Hall.

21. In the Hall Buildings there are three boilers, a large, medium sized, and a small boiler.

These are in charge of Oake, one of the labourers in the Building Staff, who informs us that they are all in excellent working order. Oake has been in charge since February last and could not say what the consumption of Coke per boiler was, but he says that he attends carefully to the flues with a view to preventing any waste.

In the Chapel there are two boilers which at present are under repair.

In the Old Hall there is one boiler not in such good order as those in the Hall Buildings. This is also in charge of Oake who does not think it wasteful.

22. Without experiments extending over a considerable period, under experts, it is impossible to say whether there is any waste in respect of Coke at the present time.

Oake has already been told to be as economical as possible in the use of Coke, and the Committee think that the matter may be left there, the Steward keeping an eye open for any signs of wastage.

23. The Gardener (Aldridge) uses Coke in the Greenhouses in the winter. He fetches this coke from the general supply as he requires it. There is one small boiler in the greenhouses in good working order.

The main use of the greenhouses is to keep the geranium cuttings alive in the winter, and in the spring to bring on the seedlings of flowers for bedding out.

The Committee are informed by the Gardener that he uses about 3 cwt. per week in winter. At present prices paid in July last (23s. per ton), this comes to about 4s. per week or £4 for 20 weeks.

The Committee recommend that the heating of the Greenhouses be discontinued and no fire lit there during the present winter.

24. As regards kindling wood, this is under the charge of Oake who gives it out sparingly as he can to those who light the fires.

25. The consumption of Gas seems to the Committee to be excessive. A large amount is consumed in the kitchen. The Committee recommend that the Kitchen Committee should turn their attention to this.

26. Upon Items F, G, H no comment is required.

27. Item I is included in the present Statement as one necessary to complete the head of expenditure under consideration. It has, however, already been dealt with in the First Interim Report of this Committee, dated 11th July, 1916.

THE LIBRARY

28. The annual Salaries paid in the Library are:—

Librarian (Mr. Etheridge)	£500
Sub-Librarian (Suter)	£300
Assistant Librarian (Whitaker)	£300
Assistant in the Library (Hodgkinson)	£200
	<u>£1,300</u>

Hodgkinson is at present absent on Military Service

30. These figures show at a glance that substantial economy has already been effected in the Library. We have had the advantage of the assistance of the Library Committee and learn from them that further economies can be made, particularly in the purchase of books. Hitherto, for instance, we have taken two copies of the Law Reports. We have bound one copy only and have held the other in reserve in case a volume should be lost. The Library Committee have discontinued the second copy. Further, they propose to review the serials which we at present take. They contemplate discontinuing some which are not of importance.

31. Under the head of Salaries and Wages the Committee are of opinion that when opportunity arises it may well be possible to conduct the Library quite efficiently with three men, not four. This should be borne in mind when the occasion arises.

WINE

32. Since the war commenced only one purchase of wine and spirits has been made and the consumption of wine has diminished.

The Wine Committee should be informed that as far as possible no further wine should be purchased for the present.

THE STEWARD'S OFFICE

33. The Book Keeping accountancy and clerical work of the Steward's Office are done normally by three clerks. The third Clerk is now serving with His Majesty's Forces and is allowed by the Society half salary during his absence. The Committee find that the book-keeping is excellent, the accounts beautifully kept and all routine work so far as they can judge is thoroughly well done. The two Clerks are able to keep up with the work but in the absence of the third their time seems to be fully occupied and some outside assistance has been had. The Committee think that some re-adjustment of the work of the office might be made. The time of the Steward is at present not fully occupied.

34. They have had a long consultation with the Steward as to the manner in which the work of his office can be most economically conducted, ensuring at the same time its complete efficiency. He has expressed himself as desirous of doing all that he can with that view. He is satisfied that he will be able to do this with the assistance of two clerks without outside assistance.

35. The cost of the Steward's Office for the year ending the 10th January, 1916, was £2,141 8s. 5d. The following are the particulars:—

OFFICE SALARIES

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
Steward	1,050	0	0			
1st Clerk	350	0	0			
2nd Clerk	300	0	0			
[3rd Clerk	130	0	0			
	<hr/>			1,830	0	0

Current salary of third clerk £250 and £5 per annum for collecting Electric Light payments due from tenants]

PRINTING AND STATIONERY

PRINTING

Internal Regulations, Fee Lists, dates of Terms, Admission and Call Papers, Bonds, Agendas, Reports, Rota, Committee Notices, Accounts etc., Chapel Service papers etc, printing and stamping of Receipt Books etc.

182 12 4

STATIONERY

Books of Account and Records, Paper, Envelopes, Blotting paper, String, Ink, Paste, etc., for the Steward's Office and Benchers' Rooms

34 16 3

217 8 7

POSTAGES

Irrespective of correspondence about 10,000 formal notices and documents are sent out during each year, about one half of which are delivered by hand

30 10 0

Laundress

28 12 0

PETTY EXPENSES

Gratuities to Porters, Laundresses etc.

15 13 2

Gratuities to men delivering Coal, Wood etc.

1 12 4

Gratuities to Sweepers, Dustmen, and Water

2 1 0

Cart man

10 2 10

Office teas

0 14 9

Cleaning materials for Laundress

2 7 9

Sundries, Telegrams, carriage on Parcels etc.

1 0 0

Cheque Book (Steward's Account)

1 0 0

Christmas Boxes

0 6 0

Commission on cheques

34 17 10

 £2,141 8 5

36. **Salaries**—The salary paid to the Steward and those paid to the Clerks (having regard to the Salaries paid in the Civil Service, in Solicitors' Offices, and in Commercial houses for similar services) are, in the opinion of the Committee, very high. When vacancies occur in any of these offices, the question of salaries should be reconsidered.

37. The Steward entered the Service of the Society in 1885 at a salary of £500 a year and a residence in the Inn. His salary was raised from time to time and in the year 1905 was £850. In 1914 he was given permission to reside elsewhere. He has since made his home at Ditton Hill, Surbiton. He was allowed £200 a year in lieu of his previous residence, and his salary thus became £1,050 a year at which it now stands. The Committee are strongly of opinion that any future Steward ought to be resident in the Inn.

38. The Clerks are allowed during the dining term their mid-day dinner from the Kitchen, gratis, and at other times can have it from the Kitchen for payment of 1s. Tea is provided for them in their office at the expense of the Society. They purchase the materials and prepare their own tea. The item of £10 2s. 10d. in the above account is the cost of this.

39. The hours during which the office is open to the public are 10 to 5 (in the Vacations 10 to 3), and on Saturday 10 to 1. The office is closed to the public at the expiration of those hours, but during terms the Clerks remain until the books signed by the Treasurer come down after dinner. They are engaged after the office is closed to the public in going on with office work. On Sunday in the dining term one clerk comes down for an hour to take the names of those who are dining.

40. **Printing and Stationery**—Considerable economies ought to be effected under this head. The paper and envelopes should be of a quality less expensive. Notices such as those of Committee Meetings should be on quarter sheets not half sheets. Lithographed addresses on envelopes and lithographed headings to notices of Committee Meetings should be discontinued. The half sheet of notepaper printed with the words "With the compliments of the Steward" which is at present included in every communication other than a letter, should be discontinued. A rubber stamp on the document could replace it where necessary. The Agenda for the Councils should be typewritten and hectographed, if (as the Committee believe) the cost would be substantially less than printing. The Chapel Committee should be asked to consider how the cost of the service papers can be reduced. At present 250 copies are printed, and a large part of them never wanted.

The above are only instances of the direction in which economies can be made. The Steward should go into the matter in detail, and bring the result of his enquiries before the particular Committee which has to deal with each subject matter.

41. **Postage**—At present formal documents such as receipts for money paid, notices of Committee Meetings, Agenda, and the like, are sent out with a penny stamp. In every case in which the contents are such as that the communication may, under the regulations of the Post Office, be sent for a halfpenny, it should be so posted.

42. **Gratuities**—Many of the servants receive regularly a gratuity of 1s. a month. These are said to originate from a time when an issue of beer tickets was stopped. Whatever their origin a system of gratuities to the Society's own servants should be gradually discontinued.

RESIDENTIAL CHAMBERS

43. Hitherto the Committee have considered possible reductions of expenditure. This last head has to do with possible increase of income.

There are among the Society's Chambers, some on the second and third floors, which are not sufficiently accessible to attract tenants who want business chambers. It may be that they would attract tenants if adapted for residential rooms, and let as such. The Steward has been instructed to prepare a report

as to the number, the nature, and the suitability of these chambers for such a purpose: as to the approximate expense of the necessary alterations; and as to the probability of obtaining tenants. The question involves a question of policy as well as a question of finance. The Committee recommend that this matter be referred to the Building Committee, with a request that they should go into it exhaustively, and report to a Special Council the result of their deliberations.

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APPENDIX 2

(See *ante*, p. 298)

WILD DUCKS IN LINCOLN'S INN

Story of a Strange Nesting Place

New Square, Lincoln's Inn, in spite of its name a haunt of the law for over three centuries, has recently enjoyed an experience without precedent in its history. Its buildings enclose one of London's most beautiful gardens, in the middle of which is a small artificial pond. This was the spot recently chosen by a pair of wild ducks as their breeding ground. At tulip time, when the garden was looking its best, it appeared so attractive to a drake and duck mallard that after circling above the spot inquiringly, they dropped on the pond for a closer inspection. After sampling these quarters for an hour or two they flew away. This was on April 29th 1930. On the following morning they returned and it was soon evident that they had come to stay. The drake was a fine specimen of the mallard in mating plumage, with a handsome green head, his mate a soberly dressed brown lady, appreciably smaller in size.

The devotion of this couple, or at least of the drake to the duck was remarkable. They were never to be seen separated on the tiny pond, but always swam side by side not 2 ft. apart or side by side on the bank. If the lady got out to shake herself flutteringly, clean herself with her beak, and then sleep in the sun, the drake followed suit in every particular. Being much the heavier bird he was more clumsy in surmounting the stone rim which edges the water. He did this by charging it swimming fast and bumping his breast up far enough to give his scrambling feet a chance. If he were lazy he fell back and had to repeat the collision more rigorously. Early each morning he would fly off in a northerly direction but he would invariably be back within two or three hours.

In the meantime human provision was made to assist or entice the birds to nest. A rectangular hamper was turned on its side at the edge of the pond, its open front jutting out over the water. Straw was heaped in it, and duck food placed daily on a board that led into it. The first egg was laid on May 3rd on an open patch of lawn at the edge of the pond. The ducks took little interest in the event, but on one occasion they were to be seen sitting on the grass, asleep on the sun, beak under wing, with the egg between them. On May 6th a second egg was laid elsewhere on the grass. The two eggs were then moved by hand to the straw in the basket. On the following morning from an upper window in New Square, the duck was observed scrambling in a business like way in the straw making herself a nest. This she completed by lining it with feathers from her breast in the best professional manner. Henceforth all eggs were laid in the nest.

A third egg was laid on May 11th, a fourth on May 14th, a fifth on the 17th, a sixth on the 19th and a seventh on the 21st. Henceforward she never left the nest except to feed. The drake took now to leaving her for four or five hours each day. These intervals of absence increased; but on Sunday June 8th at 1.45 p.m. he was seen to return, push his mate off the nest, and sit on the eggs while the duck was feeding in the pond. This was his last act of matrimonial fidelity. He has not been seen since June 9th.

On Saturday June 21st at about 8.30 a.m. three ducklings were hatched, all of a dark colour (black with yellow markings) and were very soon afterwards taken out for a swim by their mother. On examination the remaining four eggs were found to be unfertile.

For fear of depredation by cats, a fence of string netting has been placed in a semi-circle behind the basket, the sanctuary thus provided enclosing a strip of lawn. The ducklings are still so light that they can walk on the water-lily leaves in the pond without quite sinking them.¹

The Times, 24 June 1930

¹ For other birds in the Inn, see *ante*, p. 354.

APPENDIX 3

STANDING ORDERS OF THE COUNCIL OF BENCHERS

(approved by Council on November 7th, 1962)

1. The Treasurer is the head of the Society and takes precedence over all other Benchers and Members of the Society. An Honorary Bencher if Royal takes precedence over all other Benchers except the Treasurer for the time being and other Royal Benchers. A Bencher who has filled the office of Treasurer takes precedence over all Benchers (other than Royal Benchers) who have not filled that office. Honorary Benchers elected before the year 1951 retain their original precedence.
2. Subject to the foregoing provisions precedence among Benchers (including Honorary Benchers elected after the year 1950) is determined by the date of election to the Bench and is not affected by any judicial or other office, however high, or by any seniority at the Bar or elsewhere.
3. The Treasurer if present shall preside at all meetings of the Council, but he shall not have more than one vote on any resolution. He shall also have the right to preside at meetings of all Committees at which he is present. In the absence of the Treasurer (but subject to clause 4) the Bencher available who has most recently filled the office of Treasurer shall be Acting Treasurer for all business purposes, and for all other purposes (including calls to the Bench and Bar) the senior Bencher available not being an Honorary Bencher shall be acting Treasurer. At dinners in Term in the absence of the Treasurer the senior Bencher present not being an Honorary Bencher is the Treasurer for the evening.
4. Every Committee may from time to time appoint a Vice-Chairman who, if neither the Treasurer nor the Bencher having the next right to preside is present and is willing to take the chair, shall preside over its meetings; provided that no Bencher who has filled the office of Treasurer shall be eligible for appointment as Vice-Chairman. If the Treasurer is absent or declines to take the Chair, the Master of the Library, the Dean of the Chapel and the Master of the Walks shall be entitled to preside at meetings of the Library, Chapel and Garden Committees respectively. No person presiding over the meeting of a Committee shall have more than one vote on any resolution.
5. The number of Honorary Benchers other than Royal Benchers shall not exceed ten. The number of Ordinary Benchers shall be such as the Council may from time to time determine.

6. Subject to the limitation of number imposed by Clause 5 the Treasurer may invite to the Bench as an Honorary Benchers any person (whether or not a member of the Society) if the person to be invited shall be recommended in writing to the Treasurer by at least ten Ordinary Benchers and the Treasurer shall be of the opinion that the invitation is likely to meet the unanimous approval of the Bench and if it shall have been authorised either

- (a) at the Treasurer's request and on his written certificate of urgency by the written authority of not less than twenty five Ordinary Benchers, or
- (b) nemine contradicente at a meeting of the Council at which not less than twenty Benchers are present.

The invitation shall not be made public unless and until it shall have been accepted.

7. An Honorary Benchers shall be treated as elected to the Bench when the invitation has been given and accepted. He shall not be eligible for office in the Society or entitled to vote on any resolution proposed at a meeting of the Council or (unless requested by the Treasurer in any particular case) to attend any Committee of the Council. He shall in other respects (but subject to the express provisions of any other of these Rules) have the same rights and privileges as an Ordinary Benchers. and he shall pay for his Commons except in such cases and on such occasions as he may be otherwise ordered by the Treasurer.

8. It is desirable (but not obligatory) that the Ordinary Benchers shall always include at least 24 practising members of the Bar, of whom at least 10 should be members of the Outer Bar. Whenever an Ordinary Benchers shall die or whenever after 1st January, 1964 the number of Benchers who are practising members of the Bar shall for any reason be reduced below twenty four, this fact shall be stated on the Agenda for the next meeting of the Council. At such meeting the Treasurer shall, and he may at any other meeting of the Council take the decision of the Benchers present whether or not an election shall be held at the next following meeting and, if so, how many Ordinary Benchers shall be elected and whether from the Inner or Outer Bar.

9. (a) Any member of the Society who

- (i) has been for at least ten years and still is a practising member of the Bar, and
- (ii) if he was admitted *ad eundem*, has been a member of the Society for at least ten years

may be proposed for election as an Ordinary Benchers by a letter signed by five¹ or more Ordinary Benchers (including at least five practising members of the Bar) and stating in the case of a Member of the Inner Bar the date when he was called within the Bar and in the case of a member of the Outer Bar the date when he was called to the Bar.

(b) The Agenda for that Council shall state the name or names of the person or persons proposed, distinguishing between members of the Inner and the Outer Bar, and stating in the case of a member of the Inner Bar, the

¹ Altered to "ten" in Jan. 1965: *ante*, p. 681.

date when he was called within the Bar and in the case of a member of the Outer Bar the date when he was called to the Bar.

(c) In proposing members for election to the Bench consideration should be given (i) to the desirability of having an adequate representation among the Benchers of Barristers practising in every Division of the High Court and at the Specialist Bars and (ii) to the probable willingness and suitability of a candidate as a working member of the Bench. In the case of members of the Inner Bar, seniority should be treated as an important, but not decisive, factor.

(d) If at the meeting of the Council at which an election of one or more Ordinary Benchers is to take place, there should be more candidates who are members of the Inner or Outer Bar than there are vacancies which it has been decided to fill by the election of members of that category, there shall be a preliminary ballot among the members of the category who have been proposed for election. At such ballot all names of all the members of the category in question who have been proposed shall be submitted, and each Bencher present shall be entitled to vote for so many of those members as there are vacancies which it has been decided to fill by members of the category concerned. The members of that category shall be submitted for election (until the vacancy or vacancies have been filled) in the order of the number of votes which they have received in the preliminary ballot, but so that in cases of equality of votes the senior shall be submitted first.

10. (a) Any member of the Royal Family may be elected as a Royal Bencher and subject to the limitation of numbers imposed by Clause 5 any distinguished person may be elected as an Honorary Bencher.

(b) Without prejudice to the provisions of Clause 6 in urgent cases, no person shall be submitted for election under this Rule unless a motion that he is to be submitted shall have been carried at a meeting of the Council the notice convening which shall have included notice of intention to propose a motion that he be submitted as a Royal or (as the case may be) Honorary Bencher.

(c) Whenever such a motion shall have been carried, the notice convening the next meeting of the Council shall include notice that the person concerned will be submitted for election as a Royal or (as the case may be) Honorary Bencher.

11. Whenever any person is submitted for election as a Bencher, the voting shall be by ballot and each Bencher present shall have one vote. The person submitted shall be elected if he receives the votes of at least three-fourths (and not less than 20) of the Benchers present, provided that no person shall be elected if he receives three or more contrary votes.

11a. Any member of the Society not already a Bencher who shall be appointed a Lord of Appeal in Ordinary or a Lord Justice or a Justice of the Supreme Court or a Law Officer of the Crown may be invited to the Bench by the Treasurer and upon such invitation being accepted he shall become an Ordinary Bencher of the Society.

12. Each Ordinary Bencher shall on his election pay to the Society such fine as the Council may from time to time determine.

13. (a) The Treasurer, the immediate ex-Treasurer, the Master of the Library, the Dean of the Chapel, the Keeper of the Black Book and the Master of the Walks shall be ex-officio members of all Standing Committees of the Bench.

(b) As soon as possible after the 11th January in each year the Treasurer shall (in consultation with the Chairman or Vice-Chairman, if any, of each Committee concerned, appoint the members (other than ex-officio members) of the Standing Committees of the Bench for the ensuing year, but no Benchers shall be appointed without his consent to serve on any committee.

14. (a) In each Michaelmas Term, the Treasurer, the Master of the Library, the Dean of the Chapel, the Keeper of the Black Book and the Master of the Walks shall be elected from among the Ordinary Benchers for one year on and from the next 11th January.

(b) No person shall be eligible for election as Treasurer unless he holds or has within the last three years held at least one of the other offices mentioned in sub-clause (a) hereof.

(c) No Benchers [who] shall be elected to the Bench after the 31st July, 1962 shall be eligible for election to any of the offices mention[ed] in sub-clause (a) hereof after he has attained the age of 72 years. Provided that (subject to the sub-clause (f) hereof) a person already holding any of the said offices may, whatever his age, be re-elected to that office or elected to any other.

(d) The Treasurer shall be elected by ballot and Clause 11 hereof shall (*mutatis mutandis*) apply.

(e) A casual vacancy in the office of Treasurer shall as soon [as] possible be filled by ballot in accordance with sub-clause (d) hereof: and pending the filling of the vacancy, the Benchers who has most recently filled the office of Treasurer and who shall be willing to act shall be the Acting Treasurer. Casual vacancies among the holders of the others of the said offices shall be filled at the meeting of the Council next following the occurrence of the vacancy.

(f) A person who (not having previously filled the office of Treasurer) is elected as Treasurer under the preceding sub-clause to fill a casual vacancy shall be eligible for re-election on one occasion; and a person who has filled the office of Treasurer may be elected to fill a casual vacancy. Save as aforesaid no Treasurer shall hold office as such for more than one year.

15. All contracts entered into for the Society shall be made in the name of the Treasurer or (where appropriate) in the name of the Trustees of the Society who shall be four Ordinary Benchers from time to time appointed by the Council.

16. In each Michaelmas Term the Finance Committee shall draw up a Budget for consideration by the Council containing a statement of the estimated Receipts and Expenditure for the next ensuing year. In this statement the Finance Committee shall fix a maximum sum for the expenditure of each of such other of the Standing Committees as it thinks proper and each such Standing Committee may incur expenses up to the maximum approved by the Council without further reference to the Finance Committee. No proposal involving the expenditure of money of the Society other than expenditure within a maximum approved by the Council shall be voted upon at a meeting of the

Council before it has been considered by the Finance Committee and they have reported to the Council thereon.

17. Before each term there shall be selected by ballot to be arranged at some convenient time and to be supervised by at least two Benchers a rota of Benchers to dine in Hall during the ensuing term. The number of Benchers to dine on Call Day shall be six or such larger number as may be fixed by the Treasurer and the number to dine on every other day (except Grand Day, if any, Guest Days and the days appointed for meetings of the Council) shall be three. The rota shall be selected from the Ordinary Benchers (other than ex-Treasurers and Benchers senior in standing at the Bench to the Treasurer unless respectively consenting to be included in the rota). The Treasurer may at the request of a Bencher likely to be permanently prevented by illness or other sufficient reason from dining in Hall order that Bencher's name to be excluded from the rota until further order of the Treasurer. The name of a Bencher who has been placed on the rota shall not again be placed on the rota until the whole list of Benchers liable to serve shall have been exhausted.

18. The rota as constituted for each term is to be printed and circulated in convenient time before the beginning of the Term, with a notification that any Bencher named therein is expected to attend accordingly either in person or by another Bencher as his substitute but that if a Bencher who wishes to find a substitute will communicate as soon as possible with the Under Treasurer every endeavour will be made to find a substitute to suit his convenience. Benchers (other than those attending in accordance with the rota) are expected to give to the Under Treasurer before 2 p.m. on the previous day, notice of their intention to dine. By the custom of the Society every Bencher holding office in the Society is bound to keep the Term by dining in Hall at least twice during the Term.

19. The Treasurer shall appoint in each term two private Guest days (not being Grand Day, Call Day or a day appointed for a meeting of the Council) and on each such Guest Day and on every Saturday any Bencher may introduce as his guest at dinner one gentleman (whom he must accompany) if he shall have given to the Under Treasurer at least four days' notice of his intention. The guest shall not without the Treasurer's leave be a practising member of either branch of the profession (unless a Bencher or Queen's Counsel of another Inn) or a Law Student under 21 year's of age and he shall be placed at table next to his introducer.

20. Any Bencher may introduce and accompany as his guest or guests at Luncheon on any Sunday when there is a Chapel Service (followed by Luncheon) any person or persons of either sex (but not more than three without the Treasurer's leave), if he shall have given to the Under Treasurer at least four days' notice stating his intention to be present and the name or names of the guest or guests.

21. Unless otherwise ordered by the Council there shall be a Service in the Chapel at 11.30 a.m. on every Sunday during the sittings of the Supreme Court except on the first Sunday in each sittings and if on any occasion the

Treasurer and the Preacher think it desirable on the last Sunday of the sittings in July and December. At each such Service the first lesson shall be read by the Dean of the Chapel and the second by the Treasurer but either of them may nominate some other Benchers to read in his place.

22. On the death of a Benchers the Treasurer may at his discretion direct the holding of a Memorial Service if the near relatives of the deceased approve. The Service shall be held at 4.30 p.m. on a convenient weekday during the sittings of the Supreme Court at the expense of the Society.

23. The Treasurer may at his discretion authorise the use of the Chapel for the wedding of a Member of the Society or of a child or grandchild of a Member. The Council may authorise the use of the Chapel for the wedding of or for the holding of a Memorial Service to any person.

24. Subject to the foregoing provisions and to any express direction of the Council, the conduct of the Chapel Service shall be under the control of the Preacher to the Society. While holding his office, the Preacher shall be entitled to the rights and privileges of an Honorary Benchers.

25. Neither the Great Hall nor the Old Hall shall be used for any private purpose without the consent of the Council.

26. Any Benchers becoming or having been Treasurer or a Privy Councillor or a Judge of the Supreme Court shall be invited to have his Arms placed in the Great Hall at the expense of the Inn unless otherwise decided by the Council. The Arms of each Benchers to be placed on such vacant panel as the Treasurer shall direct. But no Arms of Honorary Benchers shall be placed in the Hall unless they are members of the Royal Family.

27. In no circumstances is smoking to be allowed in the Library except after dinner on Grand Day, or after dinner on Call Day if in the Treasurer's opinion the number or barristers newly called makes an adjournment to the Library desirable.

28. These Standing Orders or any of them

(i) may be suspended for any period or occasion by a Resolution of the Council adopted on a motion of which notice shall have been circulated in the Agenda for the relevant meeting, and

(ii) may be repealed, varied or added to by a Resolution of the Council adopted on a motion of which notice shall have been circulated as aforesaid

provided that there shall be a ballot on any motion for the suspension, repeal or variation of Clause 14 of these Standing Orders and such motion shall not be carried unless at least three-fourths (and not less than 20) of the Benchers present shall vote in its favour and there shall be not more than three contrary votes.

APPENDIX 4

REGULATIONS (including Customs) as to DINING AT THE BAR TABLE

(approved by Council on March 31st, 1949)

1. A horn to be blown or bell sounded within the precincts of the Inn a quarter of an hour before the hour for dinner.
2. Barristers will take precedence at Table according to seniority of Call to the Bar. This general rule is to be subject nevertheless to the following special provisions
 - (a) Barristers admitted *ad eundem* shall have precedence according to the date of their Admission to the Inn
 - (b) Four Barristers may dine together in a Mess so long as that Mess are content to take precedence according to the seniority of the junior of the said four Barristers.(N.B. Appointments such as those of K.C., Magistrate or Judge shall not confer any special precedence.)
3. Before the signal of the Butler which is to be given by the stroke of the Mallet exactly at the time appointed for dinner, any Mess may ask another Mess to give place on the ground of precedence and any Barrister may claim the highest place to which he is entitled to on ground of precedence (whether or not he has already joined the Mess concerned). After such stroke of the Mallet no Barrister who has taken his chair at Table may be displaced by any other Barrister on the ground of precedence or otherwise. If however, any Mess except the Junior Mess, shall be incomplete, it shall be made up out of Junior Barristers' Mess or Messes so that the number of Barristers needed shall be taken according to juniority (but placed according to seniority) and only one incomplete Mess shall remain when the Benchers enter the Hall.
4. Each Mess is composed of four Barristers. The Captain of each Mess at the First Bar Table sits on the right of the side nearer to the Bench Table and the Captain of each Mess at the Second Bar Table sits on the right of the side further from the Bench Table. The Captain is served first and then his *vis-à-vis* and then his right hand neighbour and then the Captain's left hand neighbour. Any question of precedence may be referred to the Under Treasurer who shall settle the question when required to do so. Barristers Called on the same day take precedence according to the date of Admission to the Inn.
5. No smoking to be allowed except by the permission of the Treasurer or Acting Treasurer present in Hall, or in his absence by the permission of the Captain of the First Mess.

6. The last two Messes at the Second Bar Table to be left vacant until the Benchers are entering the Hall when the vacant places are to be filled in the order of Call by the eight Senior Barristers then present and not provided with places.
7. Places not to be reserved in Hall.
8. No Barrister is to leave the Hall until the Benchers have withdrawn unless by permission of the Treasurer or Acting Treasurer.
9. The Chaplain's place is in the Third Mess at the First Bar Table unless the Memorial Bowl is on the Table in which case the Third Mess is reserved for the Memorial Bowl, and the Chaplain's place is in the Second Mess. The Chaplain sits opposite the Captain.
10. On Guest Nights a Guest (who must be of the same sex as his or her host or hostess) has the same precedence as his or her host or hostess, but no guest can be Captain of a Mess.
11. Cloaks, hats, spurs, swords and daggers and any disorderly conduct are forbidden in Hall.
12. Gowns must be worn in Hall.

CUSTOMS

1. Wine
 - (a) The choice of wine is made by the Captain of each Mess after consulting the other Members of the Mess.
 - (b) All wine passes anti-clockwise save port which passes clockwise except in the Chaplain's Mess when the Chaplain is present and then it passes to him by ancient courtesy and proceeds anti-clockwise.
 - (c) In the Senior Mess no toasts are drunk.
 - (d) Three toasts are drunk in all other Messes. The first toast is drunk vis-à-vis, the second diagonally, and the third cheek by jowl.
2. A Treasurer of the Snuff Fund is appointed who collects from each Barrister who is dining for the first time in any term, the sum of 1/-. The amount collected supplies snuff for the snuff boxes, many of which were presented by former Chaplains, and any balance is used to provide cigars to be smoked on the last day of term.
3. Permission to smoke is signified by the Captain of the First Mess ordering the candle to be lighted and placed on the Table in the First Mess.
4. Evening Dress for Barristers at the Bar Table is neither obligatory nor enforceable by an order during dinner in Term.

STUDENTS

Rules 5, 7, 8, 11 and 12 apply to Students.

APPENDIX 5

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF A SPECIAL COUNCIL HELD IN THE OLD HALL OF LINCOLN'S INN ON THE 27th, 28th, 29th, JUNE AND THE 1st AND 2nd JULY 1957

On the 5th June 1957 a Special Council of the Masters of the Bench of Lincoln's Inn began to sit in private in the presence of Mr. Marrinan and his Counsel and Counsel for the Inn to conduct an inquiry into his professional conduct. The charges against him were "that he being a member of the Inn and a practising barrister was guilty of conduct unbecoming to a gentleman and a barrister in that he

1. Associated on terms of personal friendship and familiarity with Billy Hill and with Albert Dimes and with other persons all of whom were to his knowledge persons of bad and disreputable character with criminal records in a manner unbecoming a gentleman.
2. Associated on terms of personal friendship and familiarity with Billy Hill and with Albert Dimes and with other persons all of whom were to his knowledge persons of bad and disreputable character with criminal records for the purpose of soliciting and obtaining professional work as a barrister practising in the criminal courts.
3. Without being instructed by a solicitor in respect thereto
 - (a) on the 29th June 1956 accepted instructions to go to Dublin in order, inter alia to give legal advice and assistance to William Patrick Blythe and Robert or Albert Rosse in connection with their arrest for and defence to a charge of wounding Jack Comer, alias Jack Spot on 2nd May 1956
 - (b) Between 29th June and 2nd July 1956, gave legal advice and assistance to William Patrick Blythe and Robert or Albert Rosse in connection with their arrest and defence
 - (c) Between 29th June and 2nd July 1956 paid £75 to a solicitor in Dublin as fees for acting on behalf of William Patrick Blythe and Robert or Albert Rosse
 - (d) On 3rd July 1956 gave advice to or on behalf of William Patrick Blythe and Robert or Albert Rosse with a view to avoiding their identification at an identity parade
4. On 2nd July 1956 at the Bridewell in Dublin attempted to obstruct a Police Officer, to wit, Detective Inspector McMahon in the execution of

his duty by physically impeding the movements of Detective Inspector McMahon.

5. On 2nd July 1956 at the Bridewell in Dublin obstructed or attempted to obstruct Police Officers in the execution of their duty by saying to William Patrick Blythe "They are all outside and are going to nick you again. If I were you I should make a dive for it," or words to a similar effect.

The hearing was continued in private on the 27th June when the Council considered in the presence of Mr. Marrinan and with the assistance of Counsel how they should proceed with the inquiry. It is the normal practice to treat such cases as private matters to be heard in private in the interests of the barrister concerned. For that reason Mr. Marrinan had been asked on the 5th June whether he would prefer a private or a public hearing and he had then expressed his preference for a private hearing. But this case had attracted much publicity and in those circumstances Mr. Marrinan through his Counsel asked that the hearing should in the present instance be in public and he also stated that he wished the so-called telephone intercepts (being intercepts made exclusively on Hill's telephone line) to be read with certain exceptions. The Council accordingly decided that the present case should be heard in public and that all the intercepts (except as aforesaid) should be available for reference, but that it must not be assumed that had Mr. Marrinan not asked that they should be read, the Council would have received any of them in evidence or paid any regard to them.

The public were thereupon admitted and the case was heard on that and the following day, and was concluded on the 29th June, when the Council adjourned to consider its decision.

It considered its decision on the 1st and 2nd July.

As to the alleged incidents at the Bridewell in Dublin the Council was not satisfied that Mr. Marrinan deliberately obstructed the police, nor was it satisfied that he said to Blythe "they are all outside and are going to nick you again. If I were you I should make a dive for it" or words to that effect, though it must not be taken to have accepted Mr. Marrinan's evidence of what took place. Therefore the Council paid no further regard to charges 4 or 5.

It was not proved that Mr. Marrinan acted improperly in giving advice in regard to the identification parade in London and therefore charge 3(D) failed. But the Council was wholly satisfied that Mr. Marrinan acted in breach of his proper professional duty in regard to all the matters connected with his visit to Dublin and referred to in charges 3(a) 3(b) and 3(c). Moreover having heard and observed him in the witness box, the Masters of the Bench feel compelled to the conclusion that he could not be accepted as a witness of truth. They were accordingly left in no doubt that he went to Dublin, and acted when there as an emissary of Hill for the purpose of supervising the general conduct of the cases of Blythe and Rosse. Accordingly charges 3(a) and 3(b) and the facts alleged in charge 3(c) were proved, but the gravamen of charge 3(c) was that Mr. Marrinan acted on behalf of Hill and not that he acted without being instructed by a solicitor.

As regards charges 1 and 2 the Masters of the Bench were likewise satisfied beyond any doubt that Mr. Marrinan associated on terms of familiarity with

Hill whom he knew to be and admitted to be a notorious criminal, and who in his turn was known to Mr. Marrinan to be and admitted by him to be closely associated with Dimes and other notorious persons and that Mr. Marrinan's association with Hill which they found to have had as one of its purposes the purpose of obtaining professional work as a barrister practising in the criminal courts was entirely inconsistent with the duties and proper behaviour of a member of the English Bar.

The Council found the explanations which Mr. Marrinan gave of his conduct wholly unsatisfactory and he appeared to have no proper appreciation of his professional duties or responsibilities.

The Council accordingly ordered at its final session held in Lincoln's Inn on the 2nd July 1957 that Patrick Aloysius Marrinan be and he is hereby disbarred and expelled from this Honourable Society and that notice of this Order be given to the said Patrick Aloysius Marrinan, to the other Inns of Court, to the Judges of the Supreme Court of Judicature and to the Law Society and that it be screened in Hall.

The following Benchers were present at the Special Council throughout the public hearing of the above inquiry and took part in the deliberations of the Council on the 1st and 2nd July 1957, when they unanimously agreed upon the above findings and the Order made on the 2nd July. [There follows the names of the Treasurer (Mr. Justice Roxburgh) and eighteen other Benchers]

No Bencher who had not been present throughout the whole of the public hearing took any part in the decision of the Special Council or voted on the Order made. On the 2nd July 1957 in the Old Hall and in the presence of Mr. Marrinan and his Counsel and Counsel for the Inn, the Treasurer publicly stated the conclusions of the Special Council and the Order made.

Throughout the hearing Mr. Mervyn Griffith-Jones (instructed by Messrs. Charles Russell and Company) appeared on behalf of the Inn, and Mr. F. Ashe Lincoln, Q.C. and Mr. Michael Havers (instructed by Messrs. L. Granville Jones and Company) appeared on behalf of Mr. Marrinan. [Black Book 48, pp. 340-345]¹

¹ See *ante*, p. 623.

APPENDIX 6

(TWO OPINIONS ON THE VISITORIAL POWERS OF THE JUDGES)

REPORT BY H.O. DANCKWERTS, Esq., dated June 16th, 1946

As some discussion took place [at the Hearing of Mr. Marrinan's Appeal to the Judges [as Visitors] on the jurisdiction of the Judges in the case of the admission or readmission of a student, it is thought desirable that a note should be preserved in regard to the visitorial jurisdiction of the Lord Chancellor and the Judges.

As the Inns of Court are voluntary associations and are not corporations, the Courts have consistently refused to interfere with the internal management of the Inns. One of the earliest cases is *Boorman's Case* (1641) March Rep. 177 in which a barrister of one of the Temples, having been disbarred, applied for a writ of restitution, which was refused. One of the most famous cases is *R. v. Benchers of Gray's Inn on the Prosecution of William Hart* (1780) 1 Douglas 353, which was an application for a mandamus to compel the Benchers to call William Hart to the Bar. In refusing to grant a mandamus Lord Mansfield C.J. delivered the judgment of the court, in the course of which he observed that the ancient and usual way of redress was by appeal to the Judges "as in a domestic forum."

It has never been doubted, it seems, that accordingly an appeal lies from a decision of the Benchers to the Judges, as visitors, in regard to the disbarring of a barrister, a refusal to call a student to the Bar, or the expulsion of a student, because in each of these cases the person concerned is a member of the Inn. But in *R. v. Benchers of Lincoln's Inn* (1825) 4 B. & C. 855 in which an unsuccessful attempt was made to obtain a mandamus to compel admittance of a student to Lincoln's Inn, observations were made by the Court suggesting that in such a case no appeal would lie to the Judges as visitors, since the person involved was not a member. That though probably correct at the time, appears no longer to be the position.

In 1832 (Ref. *Pearce on the Inns of Court*) Daniel Whittle Harvey (who had practised as an Attorney from 1807 to 1819, and had been admitted a student of the Inner Temple in 1819, was struck off the Books of the Inner Temple on the order of the Benchers) was elected a Member of Parliament. He appears to have attempted at once to bring in a Bill regulating the conduct of the affairs of the Inns (which was refused) and in 1833 he secured a rehearing by the Benchers of the Inner Temple (which resulted in an affirmation of their previous decision) but he obtained a reference of the rules and practices of the Inns of Court to the Commissioners of Courts of Common Law, and on 13th March 1834

(Ref. Records of Parliamentary Proceedings: 1834) the Commissioners (who were Sir Frederick Pollock, Att. Gen., Serjeant Henry J. Stephen, Thomas Starkie, K.C., Joshua Evans and William Wightman) made their report. Among a number of recommendations (some of which appear to have been adopted, but others not adopted) the Commissioners suggested that the situation disclosed in *R. v. Benchers of Lincoln's Inn* was inexpedient and recommended that either by Act of Parliament or Order in Council, provision should be made for an appeal to the Judges from a decision of the Benchers rejecting a candidate for admission to their Society.

As a result of this, on the 11th January 1837 the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn appointed a committee to meet committees of the other Inns of Court on the subject of admissions to the different Inns. On the 17th January 1837 this committee was requested by the Benchers to propose to the committees of the other Inns a resolution "that for the future the Judges be requested to entertain the application of any gentleman who shall be refused admission into any Inn of Court, the Inns of Court being willing to be bound by the decision of the Judges on such application."

Subsequently meetings with the committees of the other Inns took place, and on the 27th January 1837 at a meeting of the committees of the four Inns, the above mentioned Resolution proposed by the Lincoln's Inn committee was agreed to, but owing to the absence from the meeting of any member of the Inner Temple, that Society was requested to send their determination to the Steward of Lincoln's Inn. No further record of these deliberations can be found in the Black Book, but in the second edition of *Pearce on the Inns of Court* it is stated that the above mentioned extension of the visitatorial jurisdiction to the Judges was adopted by resolutions of the Four Inns in 1837. This appears to have been mentioned in *Hayward's case*, which was an appeal by Mr. Hayward Q.C. of the Inner Temple, complaining that he had not been made a Benchers. [Black Book, Vol. 47, pp. 118-121]¹

**MEMORANDUM prepared by J.B. LINDON, Esq., O.B.E., K.C.
(31 Jan. 1951)**

As to the visitatorial powers of His Majesty's Judges in relation to the admission or re-admission of persons seeking to become members of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn. Ordered to be entered in the Black Books on January 31st, 1951.²

1. In *Wooller's case* reported as the *King v. The Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn* (4 B. & C.855) Mr. Wooller's application to become a member of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn was rejected and he presented a petition to the twelve judges as visitors of the Inns of Court praying redress. He was informed by a letter from the Clerk to the Lord Chief Justice of the Court of King's Bench that the judges had no power to interfere in the matter. Mr. Wooller then applied for a rule calling upon the Benchers to show cause why a writ of mandamus should not issue commanding them to admit him as a member of the Society for the purpose of qualifying himself to be called to

¹ *Ante*, p. 497.

² *Ante*, p. 557.

the Bar. This rule was refused by the Court of King's Bench on November 26th, 1825, the Court consisting of Abbott, C.J., Bayley, Holroyd and Littledale, JJ. In the course of his judgment Abbott, C.J., stated: "It is true that the twelve judges are the visitors of the Inns of Court but in that character they have jurisdiction only over actually admitted members."

2. In the course of proceedings in 1846 before the Judges as visitors of the Inns of Court in the Appeal of A. Hayward, Q.C. against the refusal of the Honourable Society of the Inner Temple to elect him a Master of the Bench thereof (a Report of which proceedings was published in 1848), Wooller's case was cited (at p. 63) by Mr. Serjeant Talfourd for the petitioner and at p. 95 he observes "Benchers then when elected have a power at least uncontrollable by mandamus—taking the expression of the Judges in Mr. Wooller's case perhaps uncontrollable by your Lordships—to decide on the admission of students." To this Mr. Baron Rolfe observed: "That had been altered since about ten years ago there was a meeting of all the Inns of Court and they agreed that jurisdiction should be given to the Judges if they would assume it in the matter of an appeal against non-admission to the Inns of Court and the Judges agreed to take it. I know it was proposed at the time that a bill should be introduced into Parliament to constitute some such appeal; it was thought better not to do that, the Judges undertaking to be visitors and the Inns of Court submitting to their jurisdiction." At p. 132, however, Sir Frederick Thesiger observed that it was strange that he was not aware of this circumstance until it was mentioned by Baron Rolfe.

The foundation for Baron Rolfe's observation appears to be that:

(1) On the 13th March 1834 (Ref: Records of Parliamentary proceedings 1834) the Commissioners of Courts of Common Law suggested that the situation disclosed in Wooller's case was inexpedient and recommended that either by Act of Parliament or Order in Council provision should be made for an appeal to the Judges from a decision of the Benchers rejecting a candidate for admission to their Society.

(2) As a result of this on the 11th January 1837 the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn appointed a Committee to meet Committees of the other Inns of Court on the subject of Admission to the different Inns.

(3) On the 17th January 1837 the Committee was requested by the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn to propose to the Committees of the other Inns a resolution "that for the future the Judges be requested to entertain the application of any gentleman who shall be refused admission into any Inn of Court being willing to be bound by the decision of the Judges on such application."

(4) Subsequently meetings took place with the Committees of the other Inns and on the 27th January 1837, at a meeting at which no member of the Inner Temple was present,

(i) a representative of the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple stated that a meeting of Parliament of that Society was to be held that same evening and that the result of its deliberations would be communicated to the Steward of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn

(ii) A representative of the Honourable Society of Gray's Inn communicated the following resolution which had been passed by that Society, viz: Resolved that the Committee of this Bench be empowered at the next meeting of the Committee of the four Inns of Court to be held at Lincoln's Inn on the 27th instant to consent to the above mentioned Resolutions

(iii) The meeting resolved that as there was no member of the Inner Temple present thereat that Society be requested to send their determination to the Steward of Lincoln's Inn.

(5) No record of any further communication on the subject from the Honourable Society of the Middle Temple nor any further record with regard to the matter can be found in the Black Book of the Honourable Society of Lincoln's Inn.

(6) It appears however from the *History of the Inns of Court and Chancery* by R.R. Pearce of Gray's Inn (1st edition 1848 at p. 391, 2nd edition 1855 at p. 385) that on the 24th January 1837 the following resolution was adopted by the Benchers of the Inner Temple

"the Judges are requested to entertain the application of any gentleman who may be refused admission into this Society this Society being willing to be bound by the decision of the Judges upon such application."

(7) There is no reference in either edition of the *History of the Inns of Court and Chancery* to the passing of any similar resolution by the Benchers of Lincoln's Inn.

APPENDIX 7

THE FIRE JUDGE PORTRAITS

By Sir Henry de Waal, K.C.B., Q.C.
Chairman of the Chatters Committee of the Inn.

The three full-length portraits which have long hung between the windows in the middle of the east side of the Great Hall, now flanked by two similar portraits recently acquired, have an interesting history probably unknown to many who dine or lunch in Hall.

After the devastation caused by the Great Fire of London in 1666 the prompt settlement of property and boundary claims was essential if rebuilding was to begin without delay. An Act of Parliament (18 & 19 Chas. II, c.7) set up a "Court of Fire Judges" to hear and determine all differences between landlords, tenants and occupiers of buildings lost in the fire. All the judges of the three Common Law Courts including the two Chief Justices and the Chief Baron were ex officio members. The Hall at Clifford's Inn was fitted up for the sittings and the judges were provided with, inter alia, "300 quilles" and "1 botell of inke of 3 quarts". The powers of the court were extensive and the proceedings were informal and without fee.

In gratitude to the judges for giving their services, the Court of Aldermen ordered on 19th April 1670 that "their pictures be taken by a skilful hand and kept in some publique place in the city." It was intended that the "skilful hand" should be that of Sir Peter Lely but when he found that he would have to visit the judges instead of their coming to him he declined the commission. The work was then entrusted to one Michael Wright. He received £36 for each picture. The frames, which are remarkable examples of 17th century carving, cost £12 each.

The portraits were hung in the Guildhall where John Evelyn saw the first fourteen on 31st July 1673 and noted in his diary that they were good likenesses. But even at that date they needed repair because of the shrinking of the unseasoned wood to which they had been fastened. There followed a long history of rehanging in different places and deterioration due to (by modern standards) inexpert restoration, inappropriate storage and eventually, war damage.

Finally, seven out of the original twenty-two portraits were judged beyond repair and in 1951 the Common Council decided to present eight to interested bodies or individuals and to authorise the Library Committee to dispose of the rest. That is when the Inn acquired the three middle portraits of Sir Wadham Wyndham, Sir Edward (not Sir Robert as on the label) Atkyns and Sir

Samuel Brown.¹ The portrait of Sir Matthew Hale (at the north end) has now [October 1999] been lent to us by the City Art Gallery and the portrait of Sir Richard Rainsford (at the south end) at present in the frame of another Fire Judge was recently offered to the Inn by a dealer and bought for £14,250.

The five pictures, although not remarkable for their artistry or condition, are obviously of considerable historical interest owing to the circumstances in which they came into existence. The five now in our possession are the largest collection of the surviving portraits.

¹ See *ante*, p. 560.

APPENDIX 8

NOTES ON THE LIBRARY DURING THE WAR 1939-1945

Immediately on the outbreak of hostilities the contents of the two manuscript rooms off the South gallery were removed to the Court Rooms below the Library, after which nothing of any consequence happened until the autumn of 1940.

During the first winter lighting restrictions made it necessary to close the Library at black-out. After that, the institution of double summer time made it possible to remain open until five. This hour was fixed by the Master of the Library in 1940, when he authorised the closing of the Library on Saturdays, and these hours prevailed for the rest of the war.

On 9 September, 1940 the first air raid damage was incurred, several of the windows being blown out. As the Works Department was fully occupied with damage to other parts of the Inn, the Library staff (now depleted by the call-up of Mr. J.P. Beavan in July) carried out such temporary repairs as they could and were able to make the building weather-tight on this occasion and also on 16 October, when practically the whole of the Library glass was destroyed. The two oriel windows remained out for some time but were eventually boarded by an outside firm. A few small gaps were left and led to trouble with pigeons trying to nest in the Library the following spring.

By this time the air raid damage in London had made the desirability of removing the more valuable books and manuscripts to a place of safety apparent. The whole of the manuscripts, the early Private Acts of Parliament and certain other volumes were packed in fifteen steel boxes (provided by the Under Treasurer) and one hundred and twenty seven large parcels, sissalcrafft being employed for the parcels and proving entirely satisfactory. Some of these, together with thirty-seven pictures and the best of the Inn's plate, were taken to Judge Roope Reeve's house at Eardiston, Worcestershire, and some to Mr. F.W. Pember's at Broncroft Castle, Shropshire in June 1941. Both these gentlemen were Benchers of the Inn. The rest were stored in the wine cellars.

At the same time a duplicate set of the Law Reports was purchased and taken charge of by Mr. H. Wynn-Parry (also a Bencher) at Harpenden, Hertfordshire.

The shelving in the Court Rooms freed by the removal of the manuscripts was utilised to accommodate some six thousand volumes from the main library, the topography and the Local Acts of Parliament being the two largest sections to be moved into what was felt to be a safer place.

In October 1941, the Assistant Librarian Mr. C.W. Ringrose was called up to the Forces, and from then until December 1945 the Library staff consisted

only of the Librarian and the Library porter, Mr. H.W. Green, who was also helping with the lunches in Hall during part of the day.

Meanwhile the Libraries of Gray's Inn and both Temples had been put out of action and readers from them were coming to Lincoln's Inn.

Things remained quiet as far as the Library was concerned from October 1940 to 13 August 1944, and in the meantime the glass was replaced. On 13 August some of this was destroyed (and again replaced), but the main damage was to the binding of the books in the Old Hall, which were blown off the shelves. In November, however, the whole of the glass was again blown out and the use of the main room became impossible.

Enough tables and chairs, which had to be taken back each Friday to make room for the Sunday lunch, were moved into the Council Room and readers accommodated there until the following March. The boiler heating the Library having broken down, the temperature on the worst days reached freezing point and some of the binding suffered in consequence.

By March a glass substitute (by no means draught-proof) had been put in the windows and no further damage was sustained before the cessation of hostilities. A new boiler was obtained in time to dry the room out before fires ceased for the summer.

Throughout the war the question of getting binding work done grew increasingly difficult. It was found possible to keep pace with the binding and repair of current Law Reports, English and Colonial, but the re-backing of less used volumes got steadily in arrears and will ultimately have to be taken in hand on a large scale. It was noticeable that the damp (presumably) caused lettering pieces to drop off the older volumes in all parts of the room. Many hundreds were stuck on again by the staff, but many were so brittle that they were inevitably lost.

The cleaning of the room itself also fell far below the pre-war standard. The Inn's laundresses grew fewer and fewer and could not be increased in number with the result that only the ground floor received adequate attention, and this state of things still prevails at the present time (April 1946).

With the cessation of hostilities the hours of opening were extended until 5.30, and the Saturday opening until one o'clock was resumed. These hours continued for the rest of the year, but, Mr. Ringrose having returned to duty on 1 December, the full pre-war hours were restored after the Christmas vacation. Mr. Beavan returned on 21 January.

In the course of the summer the six thousand volumes removed to the Court Rooms were gradually brought back by the Librarian and Mr. Green. Signs of damp had led to the return of the manuscripts from Eardiston in April 1943. Those from Broncroft Castle were fetched in March 1946, and all, including the parcels in the wine cellars, were checked and restored to their proper places by the end of the month. All were in good condition, nor had any harm been done to the Eardiston collection.

As regards the staff, Mr. Ringrose attained the rank of Flight Lieutenant and saw service in North Africa, Algeria, Tunis and South Italy. He was twice mentioned in despatches and did not return to England until October 1945. Mr. Beavan as a Leading Aircraftsman was in Sierra Leone from September 1943 to November 1944, and in England for the rest of his service.

In December 1939 a drastic cut was made in the number of periodicals, etc. taken by the Library. Details of this and of the subsequent resumption of some of them will be found in the Minutes of the Library Committee.

Considering the conditions at sea, the delivery of Colonial Acts of Parliament and Law Reports was good. Certain gaps inevitably exist, but are being gradually filled.

To facilitate quick access in case of fire the Library was left unlocked throughout the war, the light being turned off at the main each evening. In consequence it became the practice for some members to use the library as long as daylight lasted and even on Sundays, but the return to normal hours after the armistice caused no difficulty.

Other facts worth recording are that reading facilities were readily granted to foreign and colonial lawyers in this country in connection with the war, that the paper salvage appeal was answered to the best of our ability, and that the Court Rooms were used to dry and store the engravings damaged during the early air raids. Some of them were cleaned by the Library staff. At the time of writing we are still extending hospitality to members of the other Inns, and on occasions (particularly while the lectures are on) find our seating accommodation filled to capacity.

April 1946

T. Hodgkinson
Librarian

APPENDIX 9(a)

In 1995 Michael Benskin, Professor of Mediaeval English in the University of Oslo, transcribed the first seven folios of the first volume of the Black Books of the Society. They contain a list of members of the Society in 1420 together with their manucaptors (*anglice* mainpernors or sureties). As the Society was by then well established, one cannot say that the list includes any of the original or former members of the Society. It may not even contain all the then present members but is probably confined to those then under a continuing liability for dues, hence the reference to manucaptors. A shortened version of the list of names of members (omitting the manucaptors) was published in Volume 1 of the Admissions Register (1896) pp. 1–3. It is gratifying to have the opportunity of printing Professor Benskin's work, though it may be said that very little is known about most of these early members or their sureties, "Fortescu Iunior" on f. 2v being a notable exception.

Lincoln's Inn, Black Book vol. 1 (A1a1)

Register of Admissions

The register is the work of one hand, save for diverse additions. These are here marked by a leading *, followed by a siglum identifying the hand where possible. *M may be the same scribe as the one who wrote the main text; the differences between these hands are perhaps to be accounted for by insertion as opposed to consecutive text and original layout, by changes of ink and nib, and by different occasions of writing.

As appears from its format, the list was designed not as a finished record of the Inn's membership, but as a working register to which the names of new members could be added, and with them the liability to pay fees. Opposite most names is recorded the name of a surety (manucaptor) in the form 'pro quo N'.

The original list was written consecutively, not piecemeal, quite possibly as a fair copy and as a single scribal stint; the sureties, however, even when in the original hand, seem mostly to have been filled in afterwards. The names are ordered alphabetically, though by initial letters only, and each name is on a separate line. Between the text blocks for each letter of the alphabet are left blank spaces, evidently for additions. These vary in height between 32 and 112mm. though most are between 60 and 90mm., and reflect in part, perhaps, the differing likelihoods of new members' names beginning with one letter rather than another. The list was indeed emended from time to time,

and by various hands, though it is uncertain whether the original compiler is among them. The list seems not, however, to have been in use for very long. 'Mortuus est' appears a few times only, and such names as are added make small encroachment on the blank spaces.

Such evidence as there is for dating points to a like conclusion. On ff. 13r–16v is a similar list of mainpernors 'sociorum eiusdem hospicii' for Michaelmas of 6 Henry VI (1427); this contains 165 names, allowing for odd additions and cancellations, against the 138 names of the present list in its original form. Many names are common to both lists. On ff. 163v–170v follows another such list, of 38 Henry VI (1459–1460), which contained initially 174 names; this is all in the one hand, with gaps for additions as in the first list; some 70 were made, most of them seemingly temp. Edward IV rather than Henry VI. Baildon gave the first register's date as 1420. Dated additions show it still in use in 4 Henry VI (1425–1426, Gilbert's discharge as manucaptor for Merbury) and 6 Henry VI (discharge of the manucaptor for Pas, an added name), but not later; and in the latter year, the second register (ff. 13r–16v) was compiled.

[f. 1r]	Manuceptores
Aslaby	
Anderby	
Alcestr'	<i>pro quo Somerton'</i>
Askam	<i>pro quo Swelyngton'</i>
Alysaunder	<i>pro quo Speke</i>
{B Bodolgate	<i>pro quo}</i> ¹
*A Bodolgate	<i>pro quo Wyse</i>
*A Bewfitz	<i>pro quo Godston'</i>
Blaxale	
Boynnton'	<i>pro quo Crakynthorp' Iunior</i>
Beche	
Bree	
Burton' Iunior	*Lesurs
Bekeswell'	<i>pro quo Galion'</i>
Bury	
Bellerby	
Burton' senior	<i>pro quo Weston' senior</i>
Beeston'	* <i>pro quo Denton'</i>
Bryan	<i>pro quo Fortescue Iunior</i>
{Baynbryg'	<i>pro quo Stafford'}</i>
[f. 1v]	
{Baynard Iunior	*?A <i>pro quo hasylden'}</i>
Bone	*?A <i>pro quo hayselden'</i>
Baynard'	<i>pro quo Fortescu Iunior</i>
*A Bray	<i>pro quo Simond' & God[ston]</i> ²

¹ *Sic*; name also at top of f. 3v.

² Obscured by binding strip. Simond and Godston bracketed for Bray and Bilton (next) jointly.

[f. 1v]		Manuaptores
*A	Blyton'	
*A	Byrton'	<i>pro quo Speke</i>
	Clyfford'	*A <i>pro quo perkyns</i>
	Cosyngton'	<i>pro quo Sperlyng'</i>
	Carerthen	
	Crakenthorp' senior	
	Carlell'	<i>pro quo Crakenthorp'</i>
	Crane	
	Caluerton'	
	Clynton'	
	Cheyne	
	{Crakenthorp' Iunior	<i>pro quo Pecke}</i>
*A	Crakenthorp' Iunior	<i>pro quo Boynton'</i>
*	Cary	* <i>pro quo Fortescu Iunior</i>
*?A	Creton ¹	
[f. 2r]		
	Darell'	
	Denton'	*A <i>pro quo hunte</i> < *M <i>mortuus est</i> > ²
	Dantry	<i>pro quo Weston' senior</i>
	Drax	<i>pro quo Forster Iunior</i>
	Danvers	<i>pro quo Perkyns</i>
	Dartays	<i>pro quo Fortescu Iunior</i>
	Denys	<i>pro quo heruy</i>
	Denton' Iunior	
[f. 2v]		
	Echynggham	
	Enfeld'	*A <i>pro quo Baynard senior teste fortescu</i>
	Ettewell'	<i>pro quo Speke</i>
*E	Everard vt patet in magno nigro libro— <i>pro quo Willelmus ?Ienne</i>	
	Fortescu senior	<i>pro quo Fortescu Iunior</i>
	Fortescu Iunior	<i>pro quo Fortescu senior</i>
	Frothingham	<i>pro quo lake</i>
	Fytz	*?A <i>pro quo hamden' senior</i>
	Fox	
	Floier'	<i>pro quo Fortescu Iunior</i>
	Forster I	<i>pro quo Manynggham</i>
	Forster R	<i>pro quo leyke</i>
	Flemyng'	<i>pro quo Sheffield'</i>

¹ Read *Caton?* Baildon *Cratton*.

² Added above '*pro quo hunte*', and clearly relating to the entry for Denton. The obit is that of Hunt, not Denton: cf. the entries for Galion, Gambon, Lesours and Louthere below.

- [f. 3r] Manucaptores
- * Forde pro quo Godston' <*N mortuus est>
- Galion *?A pro quo leke *M mortuus est
- Gilbert *pro quo Nelande
- Gaynesford' *pro quo Rykhull'
- {Gybbys pro quo Rie}
- {Grouehirst *pro quo Rie}
- Gowere
- Gambon' pro quo leke <*N mortuus est>
- Godston' pro quo Symond'
- *E Gyrton' vt patet in magno nigro libro—pro quo Willelmus Ienny
- *E Garnys vt patet &c'—pro quo Ienny le seconde & Ienny le terce

[f. 3v]

- Bodolgate pro quo Speke
- hunt pro quo louthen'
- hotoft pro {quo Simond' & Denys}
- hanles pro quo Weston' senior
- hasilden' pro quo Pecke
- heigham pro quo hervy
- heth
- hamden' senior pro quo Sperlyng'
- hamden' Iunior pro quo hamden' senior
- holgate pro quo Symond'
- hervy pro quo Denys
- hayworth' *A pro quo Bate¹
- * howard pro quo Simond'
- [f. 4r]
- Ikham
- *?E Iwe pro quo²
- kenermond'³
- kynton'
- loue senior pro quo Weston'
- loue Iunior pro quo loue senior
- lesours pro quo hunte <*M mortuus est>
- lynde *pro quo Gybbis
- langfford'

¹ Though Bate is not otherwise in the list.² Sic.³ Or, keuermond'.

[f. 4v]	Manuaptores
lyndeley	
{louell'}	
{loudr'}	louthere ¹
leek	<i>pro quo hunte <*M mortuus est></i>
lake	<i>pro quo Spycer'</i>
lathbury	<i>pro quo {Frothyn <g> ham} loucher</i>
	<i>pro quo Stoke</i>
*E lewys vt <i>patet</i> in magno libro nigro— <i>pro quo Ricardus Wode</i> ²	
Merbury	<i>*pro quo Gilbert exoneratur de Manuapcione termino [festi] Michelis anno regni regis henrici vj quarto <pro quo Rody testibus loue Iunior & Alcestre></i>
Manynggham	<i>pro quo Frothynggham & hamden' senior</i>
Multon'	<i>pro quo Symond'</i>
Maliuerere ³	
[f. 5r]	
{Mulso	<i>pro quo Fortescu Iunior}</i>
Mildenale	<i>pro quo hamden' senior</i>
* Marshall'	<i>pro quo Multon'</i>
*E Maliuerer Iunior vt <i>patet</i> in magno nigro libro— <i>pro quo Sheffield' & Marchal</i>	
*E Mountford vt <i>patet</i> &c'— <i>pro quo Marchall' & Flete</i>	
Nelond	<i>pro quo Gylbert</i>
Norman	
* Neuton'	<i>pro quo beeff</i>
Pek	<i>pro quo hasulden'</i>
Palgraue	<i>*pro quo Symond teste Rye</i>
Pellour	
Perkyns	<i>{pro quo hamden' senior} * exoneratur in presen-</i> <i>cia Rec' &⁴</i>
Pole	
[f. 5v]	
Petyt	
Pressen	<i>pro quo loue senior</i>
* Pas	<i>*pro quo {Fitz & Sheffield'} <exoneratur a Festo Michelis anno v^{to} henrici > super quo Sibile</i>
Rye	<i>pro quo Sperlyng'</i>
Rykhull'	<i>pro quo gaynysford'</i>
Rose	

¹ These are probably alternative spellings of the same name.

² *Wode* uncertain.

³ MS *Mal*, then three minims, then *euerere*: for *Maleverer*, in view of later annotations.

⁴ One word illegible.

[f. 5v]	Manuaptores
Rody	*A Burton' senior
[name erased, then <i>pro quo</i> in hand E]	
*E Ryppyngham vt patet in magno nigro libro	<i>pro quo</i> Maliuerer senior & Maliuerer Iunior
* Somayster	<i>pro quo</i> Rykkyl'
Stathom	
Stanshawe senior	<i>pro quo</i> Rye
Stanshawe Iunior	<i>pro quo</i> louthar
[f. 6r]	
Sperlyng'	<i>pro quo</i> Wydeford'
Simond'	<i>pro quo</i> Multon'
Sheldwech'	<i>pro quo</i> Cosyngton'
Stoke	<i>pro quo</i> Weston' senior
Speke	<i>pro quo</i> Sharp'
Sheffield'	<i>pro quo</i> Fortescu Iunior
Sibile	<i>pro quo</i> Wyse
{Stamford'	<i>pro quo</i> Fortescu Iunior}
Swyllington'	<i>pro quo</i> Askham
Stafford'	<i>pro quo</i> Frothynggham
Spycer'	<i>pro quo</i> leyke < *Mortuus est >
Somerton'	<i>pro quo</i> Alcester'
Sharp'	<i>pro quo</i> Speke
[f. 6v]	
Soulby	<i>pro quo</i> ¹
Stutville	<i>pro quo</i> Bray
Trenowit	
Trewyzosa	
Tirwhit	
Tybotes ²	
Tretharap'	<i>pro quo</i> Galion'
[f. 7r]	
Wode	<i>pro quo</i> hervy
Weuard' senior	
Weuard' Iunior	
Waller'	
Wodford'	<i>pro quo</i> Sperlyng'
Walshe	<i>pro quo</i> Fortescu senior
Watton'	
Walsale	<i>pro quo</i> Weston' senior

¹ Sic.² Final *s* altered from *z*.

Whatton'

[f. 7r]

Manuautores

Wyse

pro quo Sybylle

Weston' *senior*

pro quo loue *senior*

Weston' *Iunior*

pro quo Walsale

Walpole

Wynslowe

Wakefeld'

pro quo Pecke

[f. 7v]

Whythell'

pro quo Whatton' teste Rykkyll'

Wode

pro quo Speke

Whytey

pro quo Fortescu

Water

*pro quo*¹

* Walsche *Iunior*

pro quo Speke

*E Wylhenhale vt *patet in* magno nigro libro *pro quo* lethered & Lucy

{ } enclose entries crossed out; < > enclose interlineations superscript; [] enclose supplied letters and editorial comment. Scribal abbreviations are expanded conventionally and italicised, except that final flourishes, and the bar through final *ll*, are represented by '. Capitals are as in the MS. Lineation generally follows the MS, but in the more extensive annotations, MS line-breaks are indicated by |.

¹ *Sic.*

APPENDIX 9(b)

CHANCERY COURTS IN LINCOLN'S INN

By the Editor

The impending conversion of the so-called Court Room underneath the east end of the Library from a book store into a room for moots, lectures and other educational purposes has led to inquiries as to the use of that room and other buildings in the Inn as Courts. The following summary, taken mainly from the printed Black Books, may be of interest.

1. **1717.** In this year the Master of the Rolls, Sir Joseph Jekyll, was invited to use the Hall (i.e. the present Old Hall) for his sittings while his house outside the Inn on the east side of Chancery Lane was rebuilt. The Inn expended £1. 1s. 6d. for a green cloth to cover the Bench Table when the Master of the Rolls sat. The new Rolls House was completed in 1724 and stood until 1895 when it was demolished to make room for an extension of the Public Record Office. (3BB.251, 252)

2. **1733 onwards.** The Lord Chancellor at first occasionally, later regularly, used the Hall for sittings out of Term, i.e. not during the four short periods when the common law courts sat in banc in Westminster Hall, where the Lord Chancellor also sat, and when the Inn's Hall was required for dining. Cp. the opening sentence of Dickens, *Bleak House* (1852) "LONDON. Michaelmas Term lately over, and the Lord Chancellor sitting in Lincoln's Inn Hall." (3BB.305, 312, 319n.)

3. **1814. The Vice-Chancellor of England.** The Inn was asked to provide a Court for the holder of this newly created office. At that time there was a wing extending westwards from the Old Hall which contained the Council chamber and accommodation for the Preacher. The Inn built an extension to this wing over what is now occupied by the War Memorial seat. This became the Vice-Chancellor's Court, and was connected to the Old Hall by a covered way or piazza. (4BB.134-136, 146n.; 5BB. plan and picture facing pp. xxii & 266 respectively).

4. **1841. Two additional Vice-Chancellors appointed.** Two Courts in a detached structure with a wooden loggia were built to accommodate them. They were erected in Gatehouse Court, the small square between the east side of the Old Hall and the Great Gate into Chancery Lane. (4BB.204; 5BB. xxxi, 97 and picture facing p. 306).

5. **1845. New Hall and Library opened.**

6. **1851. Two Lords Justices of Appeal in Chancery appointed.** In 1851/52 they sat in the New Hall out of term. By 1852 the Old Hall had been divided and thereafter they sat in the southern half, and the Lord Chancellor continued to sit in the northern half. (5BB.xxiv, xxxviii, 97)

7. **1872. An unflattering contemporary account.** "Most readers will remember the graphic description of Lincoln's Inn and its surroundings which was given to the world by Mr. Dickens in the opening chapters of 'Bleak House'. Although twenty years have now elapsed since the publication of that work of fiction, the external appearance of Lincoln's Inn remains unchanged. The courts in which the Lord Chancellor, the Lords Justices of Appeal, and the three Vice-Chancellors sit, resembling externally—more than anything else which I can remember—the sheds which one sees erected at steamboat wharves for the temporary reception of the goods which are landed there. Internally the courts at Lincoln's Inn present the appearance of a third-rate Dissenting Chapel in a fourth-rate provincial town. The advantage, however, in this last comparison lies, I am well aware, with the Dissenting Chapel, for the chances are that the ecclesiastical edifice in question would be clean and comfortable, whereas the buildings which are occupied by Her Majesty's High Court of Chancery, are filthy and uncomfortable to a degree which it is impossible for me to describe in words. The atmosphere in them, moreover, is invariably humid with the moisture arising from the mass of sweltering humanity which daily throngs them." *Briefs and Papers, Sketches of the Bar and the Press*, by Two Idle Apprentices (London: Henry S. King & Co., 1872), pp. 120, 121.

8. **1872. Library extended.** After two years of planning and consideration, the library was extended and the lecture room underneath it was created. (5BB.xlii)

9. **1874.** In the summer of this year construction started on the new Royal Courts of Justice in the Strand. (David B. Brownlee, *The Law Courts* (1984) p. 259).

10. **1875. Judicature Acts 1873 and 1875.** On November 1, 1875, the new system of judicature came into force. The new Supreme Court comprised the Court of Appeal and the five (reduced in 1880 to three) Divisions of the High Court. The Chancery Division replaced the former Courts of Chancery. The Lord Chancellor was its titular head; its regular judges were the Master of the Rolls (Sir George Jessel) and the three Vice-Chancellors (Malins, Bacon, Hall) then in office. The new court building was a long way off completion and consequently the Vice-Chancellors continued to sit in their respective courts in the Inn. To accommodate the Court of Appeal the partition in Old Hall was removed; the First Division of that Court sat in the Old Hall, and the Second Division sat in the New Hall and one of the adjoining rooms until the Royal Courts of Justice were ready for occupation. (5BB.xxiv, 186)

11. **1877. Court Room.** Section 2 of the Judicature Act 1877 authorised the appointment of an additional judge of the High Court. On April 27, 1877, Sir Edward Fry was appointed and assigned to the Chancery Division. In anticipation, on April 10, 1877 Council granted an application from H.M. Office of

Works for the use of the "Lecture Room" under the east end of the Library as an additional Vice-Chancellor's Court (with a robing room adjoining) until the new law courts were completed. By May 29th Mr Justice Fry had found the accommodation in the retiring room insufficient. On 26th November the Building Committee reported that "all the arrangements for the accommodation of Mr. Justice Fry had been satisfactorily completed." (5BB.207, 210, 211). Nevertheless the continued use of the Court Room as a court proved extremely unsatisfactory especially to the witnesses, as can be seen from the report of the Building Committee presented to Council on January 31, 1878, and printed at 5BB.212, 213.

12. 1882. Opening of the Law Courts. This was performed by Queen Victoria on 4th December, following a ceremonial procession from Westminster Hall to the hall of the new courts. (5BB.xii, xiii)

13. 1883. Continued demands. On January 11th Council were informed that in consequence of the non-completion of some parts of the new courts, the Court of Appeal and the Courts of the Chancery Division were unable to move. Council acceded to a request that the Courts be allowed to continue to sit in Lincoln's Inn for the next sittings. The Courts moved out later in 1883 whereupon the temporary courts in Gatehouse Court and the wing containing the Vice-Chancellor of England's court were demolished and removed, thus allowing for the extension of the Chapel and the completion of the rebuilding of Old Square. (5BB.233, 234)

14. Later use of the Old Hall as a Court. During the last century there have been occasional demands for the Old Hall to be used as a court. As early as February 21st, 1893, we find the Council granting the Lord Chancellor's application for such a use: 5BB.292. On April 29th, 1902, a request from the Lord Chief Justice (Lord Alverstone) for its use as a court for the remainder of the Sittings was granted: 5BB.352. During the second World War, a weekly tenancy from Monday July 24th, 1944, for its use as the Bankruptcy Court was granted to the Ministry of Works (6BB.472; and see 485). Finally, in the afternoon of Monday, July 30th, 1973, Mr. Justice Megarry sat there as a judge of the High Court, Chancery Division, to give directions relating to the impending hearing of a petition seeking the court's approval of a scheme of arrangement under the Mersey Docks and Harbour Act 1971 (c. lvii). It had been expected, mistakenly as it transpired, that a large number of bondholders would appear in person.

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CALLS TO THE BAR

1914

13th November

CAMPBELL, William Lawson Walford,
B.A.
HYDER, Mohamed Wahid-Uddin
ALIMCHANDANI, Sahijram Bulchand
DAS, Divarka, B.A.
PURI, Chunilal Harcharndas
AHMAD, Syad Mohammad Sami
GULATI, Chaman Lal
MAHENDRAN, Tampoe Marshall Samuel
Oyer
FITZGIBBON, Gerald, KC (Ireland)
PATVARDHAN, Nahar Mahadeo

1915

26th January

COVINGHAM, George Henry
CHATTOPADHYA, Suresh Chandra
CHHACHI, Sardar Sant Singh
RAO, Rajah Manoor Venkata
Seshachelapati
HARRIS, Wilfred Ernest
WADE, Thomas Williams
KHAN, Mohammad Haidar
SONDHI, Guru Datt
POWELL, John Cecil Glossop
RAO, Madireddi Ramachandra
RAO, Nadimpalli Venkata Lakshmi
Narasimha
MANSUKHANI, Tikamdas Wadhumal
CHAUBAL, Keshav Mahadev

28th April

LALVANI, Rupchand Lilarum
LANGRIDGE, Hugh Reginald
DAS, Banbihari
KHAN, Mohamad Saaduddin
MARSH, Bertie Cecil
EDWARDS, Lionel L'Estrange
Walter
ROWELL, Reginald Kaye
GRATY, Ernest Alfred
BENNETT, Percy James

STERLING, John Andrew Graham
THURSTON, Oliver Anson
MASIH, Syed Mohamed
BURGESS, John Harold
PEAKE, Francis Harold
CRAIG, Newman Lombard
PARSHAD, Joti

16th June

MISRA, Reva Prasad
SOOFI, Daud Khan
LALL, Bihari
TUN, Ba
MALIK, Har Kishan Singh
RAHMAN, Habib-uz-
JALLI, Diwan Chand
SEN, Bhuban Mohan
LLEWELLYN, William
BASITH, Muhammad Abdul
WATSON, James Murray
SACKER, Nathan David Paul
KHAN, Tafail Mohammad
LIM, Cheng Ean
PICKETT, Edwin Rolfe
HOPE, Geoffrey Aloysius Eyton
NICHOLS, Arthur Trevor
ORGLIE, Joseph Taylor Tete Kwasi
MANTRI, Balkrishna Keroba
ALLEN, Ralph Emeric
JONES, Clement
HOBSON, Robert Harry
CORBIN, John Edward Bazille
PHILLIPS, George Alick Woodroffe
LONG, Alfred James
SAHAI, Jagada Nand
COLEMAN, Reginald Ernest
DATTA, Bankim Chandra

17th November

LAL, Dewan Manohar
CHOPRA, Amolak Ram
AHMED, Sheikh Noor
JONEJA, Gobind Ram
GREEN, Edward Lapwood
LAL, Chuni

1916

26th January

MAY, George Cyril McFarlane

ZULB, Aziz

ALI, Syed Erfan

CHALIHA, Tara Prosad

PAWAR, Vinayak Madhaorao

CHRISTODOULIDES, Polybius Demetrios

REDDY, Pingle Krishna

MULLA, Fardunji Dadabhai

BANERJEA, Pramathanath

17th May

SINHA, Sisir Kumar

DESAI, Prabhudas Haridas

QUARTEY-PAPAFIO, Hugh Kwamina

REUBEN, Isaac Frederick

5th July

RIGBY, James Philip Clayton

KARNAL, Ahmad

KHAN, Mohammad Jan

RANA, Muhamad Hassan

QAZI, Mohammad Housain

MARWAHA, Sardar Gian Singh

BAKER, James Guy

MITTER, Debendra Kumar

VENKALARAMAN, Kandallu Lakshmana

D'CRUZ, Gerald John Marshall

ALAM, Muhammad Nur

SAUHTA, Kahan Singh

PATEL, Sashbhai Chhotalal

PETIGARA, Darab Khurshedji

INNISS, Conrad Fitzjohn

17th November

HYDER, Nizam Uddin

ALAM, Abdul Faiz Mohammed Badrul

SINHA, Thakur Brajamohan

SOWARD, Edgar Alfred

IYAGARAJA, Jagannathan

SHROFF, Maganbhai Hirabhai

ISLAM, Badrul

HUSSAIN, Mohammed Ahmad

RAMAYYA, Kaldevanahalli Hanumiah

MENDIS, Victor Jerome

FARUKI, Zahiruddin

1917

26th January

BARRETT, Jack Hardy

KHARE, Prabhakar Daji

DAPHTARY, Chandra Kisan

CHAND, Sagar

HOLM, Neils Walwin

PEIRIS, Leonard James Martinus

MEAD, Reginald

TAMBE, Vaman Gopal

IBBOTSON, James Gordon

HASAN, Hamid

WALTERS, Frank Cecil

2nd May

ZAKI, Sayed Mahamed

20th June

MENON, Vadaka Kurupath Raman

BEX, Charles James

SAWHNEY, Chuni Lal

SORABJI, Adajania Shapurji

ISMAIL, Khaja

DODDS, John de Quetteville

19th November

SEAL, Benoyendra Nath

HAYES, Charles

1918

28th January

MAHON, Brian Macmahon

KNIGHT, Gilfred Norman

ISLAM, Mazharul

RAJAKARIER, Victor Emmanuel

KHUNDKAR, Henry Nooralazeem

LINCOLN, Samuel

BIRD, William Henry

ALBAN, Edgar

NICOL, Claude Gordon

24th April

CARVER, Edmund Tucker

PAINE, Arthur Thomas Worship

FLETCHER, John Norman

PADSHAH, Kaikhusroo Pestonji

12th June

KHAN, Mohammad Ali

JOSHI, Devendra Nath

SINGH, Mungal

WILLIAMS, William James

18th November

BROWN, Alexander Theodore

NANDKEOLYAR, Ram Kishou Lal

AGARWALA, Shivadarshan Lal

HOOPER, Oswald Stokes

1919

27th January

BUNE, Frank Cuthbert

WHINNEY, Frederick Stoddart

JAMESON, John Gordon

BURNAND, Richard Frank

SHAHAM, Mahtabsing Sahibsing

BIRCHNELL, Cyril Augustine

CARRERAS, Alfonso
 MOUSLEY, Edward Opotiki
14th May
 FARRAR, Harry, B.A., LL.B.
 BARRINGTON-WARD, Robert McGowan
 CUTK, Frederick Morley
 STRANG, Henry St John Bland, LL.B.,
 B.A.

ELLIS, Thomas Patrick, B.A.
 ALLEN, Carleton Kemp, M.C.

2nd July
 NOORUDDIN, Muhammad
 LAKE, Wallace Strickland
 WOOD, John Roskuge
 NOTTIDGE, William Rolfe
 SPICER, Henry Wallis
 HAINING, Robert Hadden, D.S.O.
 MALONE, Herbert

FURNESS, Robert Howard
17th November
 REID, John Alexander, M.C.
 SAWER, Arthur Charles Stuart, B.A.
 PENSON, John Hubert, B.A.
 TAYLOR, John Alexander
 SPENCER, Charles Gordon
 PLANT, Charles Alick
 BULLER, James Henry George, D.S.O.,
 LL.B.

1920

26th January
 BELSHAM, Arthur John, LL.B.
 CHRISTIE, Alexander Henry, M.A.
 SHIRLEY, Frederick John, M.A.

28th April
 WILBERFORCE, Ambrose
 DAVIS, Godfrey
 BOWEN, David

16th June
 MACKAY, Charles Gordon, M.A.
 GLEN, John Mackenzie
 HUMPHREYS-OWEN, Arthur Erskine Owen
 WILLIAMS, Thomas Dixon Awunnoh
 MEHTA, Nusserwanji Roostumji, LL.B.
 LETHERN, Gordon James
 JAMESON, Robert William, M.R.C.S.,
 L.R.C.P., D. Ph.
 OAKES, Cecil Goerge
 CLARK, Reginald

17th November
 SOLOMON, Josiah Albert, B.A.
 AKIWUMI, Augustus Mclade, B.A., LL.B.
 DAICES, Samuel

UPJOHN, Arthur Ritchie, LL.B.
 BONARJEE, Bertie, Kay
 BELL, James Alan
 HORMASJI, Jivanji

1921

26th January
 BEATON, Frederick William
 AZIM, Mohammad Abdul, B.A., LL.B.
 HUTCHINSON, Walter Henry Kernot de
 Creux, B.A., B.Sc. (Lond.)
 BARR, Alexander David St Clair
 CHARLESWORTH, John, LL.B.
 JONES, John Robert, M.A.
 ROMER, Charles Robert Ritchie
 NAIK, Venkanna Hosab
 WORTHINGTON, John Morton

17th April
 ROY, Kiran Sankar, B.A. (admitted as
 Ray)
 FRETZ, Theodore Wilmot Stuart
 SURITA, Osborne Robert
 BURNETT-HALL, Basil Graham, B.A.
 MARGOLIS, Morris (admitted as
 Maurice), M.A.

HEREFORD, George Arthur, M.A.
 BASU, Girindra Nath, M.A., B.L.
 NALWA, Balwant Singh
 JAGGER, Arthur Humphrey
 GILL, Henry Lawrence Oldmeadow
 ATKINS, William Keith Dyas
 FOX-ANDREWS, Norman Roy
 WHITEHEAD, George Robert Beethom,
 B.A.

BURKE, John McDonald
 BOYES, Guy Ninian Whitelock
 DOUGLAS, James Henry, O.B.E., M.D.
 WHITAKER, John Leslie, B.A.

8th June
 BURROWES, Thomas Fraser
 DAWES, Eric, B.A., LL.B.
 BOSE, Satish Chandra, M.A., B.L.
 CHAND, Shamair, B.A.
 SAPRU, Prakash, Narayan, M.A.,
 LL.B.

CHATTERJI, Tapanmohan
 O'REILLY, Guy Oliver Michael
 COYAJEE, Nariosang Hormazdyar, B.A.
 HARMAN, Charles Eustace, B.A.
 ANNIS, Ernest George, L.R.C.P.,
 M.R.C.S., L.S.A., D.Ph.
 WALTERS, David Keri
 BYNG, George West

BRAUND, Henry Benedict Linthwaite,
B.A.

BOWN, Herbert, O.B.E.

17th November

OLLERENSHAW, Frank

DIVINE, John, M.D., J.P.

LIDDELL, Henry Crawford

MEHENDALE, Balwant Khanderao, LL.B.

ROY, Nripendra Narayan, M.A., LL.B.

MAITI, Sarada Charan, B.A., B.L.

ANDREW, William Monro, M.A., B.C.L.

KHAN, Saadat Ullah

MATHEW, Theobald

BENSON, William John Phillip, O.B.E.,

F.R.G.S.

1922

26th January

BYRNE, Sir Joseph Aloysius, K.B.E.,
C.B.

LEVETT, Roland Denholm Griffith, LL.B.

PRICE, Frank Edwin

PARRISH, Harold, LL.B.

WOLFE, Joseph Alexander, B.A., LL.B.,
B.Sc.

MENDEL, Bernard Francis, B.A., LL.B.

BOOTH, Ernest, B.A., LL.B.

PATTERSON, Charles, B.A.

PARRY, John Idris, B.A.

GHOSE, Manindra Nath

RAY, Sudhish Chandra

JONES, Ivor, LL.B.

HALYANVALA, Framroy Nowroji

10th May

DUNKLEY, Herbert Francis, M.A.

SOUTER, Henry Charles

JAMES, Edward

KING, Thomas William

NAFARULLAH, Chaudhri

BOSTON, Nathaniel Justinian Patricious
Metzger

DUTT, Sudher Chunder

BEST, Ronald William Glennie

ROBSON, William Alexander

HORRIDGE, John

KHAN, Nawabzada Sharifullah

28th June

SELF, Albert Henry

MAXWELL, Malcolm Theodore, M.C.,
M.A.

NAWAB, Syed Waris

CUNLIFFE, Thomas

GLUCKSTEIN, Louis Halle

BYAHATTI, Ramchandra Raghavendra,
B.A.

MERCHANT, Purshottam Trikamdas,
B.A., LL.B.

SUKTHANKAR, Yeshwant Narayan, B.A.,
LL.B.

PARRY, Henry Wynn, B.A.

JUNG, Mahomed Ullah Sarbuland, B.A.,
LL.B.

KHONG, Kit Seng

MITTER, Sudhir Chunder, B.A., LL.B.

LEGGE, Cyril Henry Ethelwood

DAVIES, Edward John, B.A.

DAVIES, Wyndham Matabele, B.A.

JONES, Ivor Gwynne, B.A.

17th November

CHESHIRE, Geoffrey Chevalier, B.A.,
B.C.L.

HUSSAIN, Wajahat

SORLEY, Kenneth William, M.A.

PANJABI, Kishinchand Murlidher

MASTER, Kaikhusroa Ardeshir, M.A.,
B.Sc.

VYAS, Tryambaknath Shivrath

KAR, Bhudeb Chandra, M.A., LL.B.

GORDON, Charles Gordon Snowden,
LL.B.

DART, George Herbert, M.D., M.R.C.P.

HANSON, Rupert Willoughby

MEEK, Harold George, B.A. (Oxon),

B.A. (Cantab), LL.B., B.A. (Sydney)

SWAN, Robert Arthur, O.B.E.

HILL, Robert Noel, B.A.

1923

26th January

EVERSHED, Francis Raymond, B.A.

WALMSLEY, Allan

RUSSO, Peter George

SWAMI, Subramanian Krishna

JOSHI, Eknath Morashwar, B.A.

SIBLEY, Roger Bernard Hastings

TATA, Miss Mithan Ardeshir, B.A.

ASHWORTH, Miss Mercy

CHARRY, P. Venkata, B.A. (Hons), M.A.

MACAULAY, William Edward Akaje

SETT, Jyotish Chandra, M.A., B.Sc., B.L.

BHAGAT, Ram Hari, LL.B., B.A.

PRYDE, William, M.A.

JONES, James Andrew

GOADBY, Frederick Maurice, M.A.,
B.C.L.

NORWOOD, William Stuart

23rd April

DESAI, Raman Kanthadji, B.A.
 WRIGHT, Albert Charles
 BALDERAMOS, Arthur
 DOVE-EDWIN, George Frederick
 MUKHOPADHYAYA, Iswar Prasanna,
 LL.B., M.Sc.
 BOSE, Kshitish Chunder
 CORNFORD, Lawrence Rudyard Cope,
 B.A.

TREATT, Vernon Haddon, B.A. (Oxon),
 B.A. (Sydney)

HEWINS, Maurice Gravenor, B.A.
 PRICE, Dudley William Mackay, B.A.

13th June

DENNING, Alfred Thompson, B.A.
 MADDEN, John Griffith, B.A. (Oxon),
 B.A. (Missouri)
 DHONDY, Savaksha Dhunjisha, B.A.,
 M.A.
 ZAIDI, Bashir Husain, B.A. (Punjab),
 B.A. (Camb)
 BOWEN, Noel Pierre
 CAMMIADÉ, Geoffrey, B.A., LL.B.
 LODHI, Ghulam Hyder, B.A.
 MORAY, Sakharan Vinayakrao, B.A.
 SIRCAR, Ramendra Nath
 VAIDYA, Bhalchandra Chintaman, M.A.
 HAZAREE, Ibrahim Ismail
 KHINE, Maung Aung
 WHITE, Cyril Montgomery, B.A.
 RICHMOUNT, Charles Raoul Deschamps
 COOK, John Wallace, B.A., LL.B.
 BARTLEY, John, M.A.
 SREEKANTIAH, Akumal
 MARSDEN, Percy, B.A.
 BUTTERWORTH, Arthur Bernard
 SHEARD, Terence, B.A.
 TADWALKER, Govind Bhimrao
 COLIN, Barthelmy Jules
 DAVIES, Arthur Stanley
 SORABJI, Cornelia, B.C.L.
 BANARJI, Hamsesvar, B.Sc., B.L.
 POOLE, Hewitt Robert, B.A.

19th November

WILLIAMS, Fred Cyril
 FISK, Victor Grantham
 JENKINS, David Llewelyn
 SENEVIRATNE, Leopold James de Silva,
 LL.B.
 RASHID, Mohammed Haran-Ur, B.A.
 WALKER, Ronald Robert Anthony, B.A.,
 LL.B.

GRIFFITHS, Oswald, LL.B.
 MAXWELL, John Robert Perceval
 PRINGLE, John Mackay, B.A.
 GHOSH, Sureschandra, M.A., B.L.
 MALIK, Bidhubhusan, M.A., LL.B.
 PATEL, Ambalal Bhailalbhai, LL.B.
 KIRTIKAR, Atmaram Harischandra,
 B.A., LL.B.
 CANEKERATNE, Arthur Reginald Henry

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SWAN, Evan Frank Oswald
 PEIRIS, Herbert Charles Jacob, B.A.,
 LL.B.

MARJORIBANKS, Edward
 SMITH, William Richard Trevor, B.A.,
 LL.B.

CLINTON, James Vivian, B.A.
 MITRA, Amulya Krishna, B.Sc.
 MARTINS, Ismael Olatunji Caxton
 (admitted as Olatunji Martins)
 WHALLEY, Philip Guy Rothay, B.A.,
 LL.B.

KITCHIN, Clifford Henry Benn, B.A.
 CLARKE, Marshal Neville, B.A.
 HOWARD, Stephen Gerald
 HARRIES, James Augustus Hamer, B.A.
 MORGAN, Hywel Glyn, LL.B.
 MESTON, The Hon. Dougall
 GREY, Francis Temple, B.A., M.B.

14th May

OWOO, William George Boi
 SIRDAR, Madivaleshivar
 Shivshankarappa
 HART, Kenneth Richard Amiel, B.A.
 SURRIDGE, Charles Ernest North, B.A.
 RITCHIE, The Hon. Philip Charles
 Thomson, B.A.
 VASSILIADES, George
 PANCHANATHAN, Brahmadesam Cidambi
 ROBERTSON, William George Aitchison,
 M.D., D.Sc.

SOLOMONS, Maurice Aram, LL.B (Hons)
 BATCHELOR, Henry Vesci
 PETKAR, Lakshman Balvant, B.A., LL.B.
 PATEL, Mansukhbhai Narshibhai, B.A.,
 LL.B.
 SHROFF, Vrajlal Purshottamdas, B.A.,
 LL.B.

2nd July

GEDDES, William, LL.B.
 SNELL, Miss Kathleen, B.A., LL.B.

PARKER, Hubert Lister, B.A.
 HURWITZ, Alter Max, LL.B.
 CAREY, Victor Michael Graham de Vic,
 B.A.
 BARSTOW, John Montagu Orozy
 FELLOWS-SMITH, Herbert
 METCALFE, Robert Gamble, B.A.
 (Hons). LL.B.
 JATAR, Vasudeo Kashinath, B.A.
 PE, Maung Thein, B.A.
 OVERTON, Marcus Reginald Cholmeley,
 B.A.
 RAJAPAKSE, Louis Alexander, LL.B.,
 B.A.
 LEADLEY-BROWN, Miss Cicely, M.B.E.
 PRICHARD, Norman George Mollett,
 B.Sc.
 LUMSDEN, Oswald Farquhar, M.A.
 WARD-PRICE, Henry Lewis, B.A.
 BHAYA, Girija Govinda Gupta
 RAJ, Mulkh, B.A. (admitted as Mela
 Ram-Madhok)
 HLA, Maung Ba
 GUINNESS, Gerald Richard de Capell
 Brooke
 GARNHAM, Archibald Scott
 ASHWORTH, Albert Edwin, M.A., LL.B.
 WAVELL-PAXTON, Raymond George, B.A.
 PERROTT, Thomas Henry Hamilton,
 B.A.
 WOOD, Arthur Westmorland
 GHOSE, Rabindra Chandra, B.A., B.L.
 ORMEROD, Benjamin, LL.B.
 BARTHOLOMEUSZ, Hugh Hamilton
 DE SILVA, Benedict Felix
17th November
 O'REILLY, Harry Allan Oswald
 SINHA, Sasi Bhusan, M.A., B.L.
 SADARANGANI, Hiranand Tirthdas
 AHMED, Alauddin
 GEORGALLIDES, Spyridon Costas
 IMBERT, Charles William Joseph
 PARK, John Fergus, B.A.
 MATHEW, James
 RAHMAN, Mohammad Abdur, LL.B.
 MANIAR, Mohanlal Baloobhai
 FULLER, Walter Reginald
 KYLE, Sigvard Holm, B.A.
 GUHA, Sachindra Kumar, M.A., B.L.
 GHOSE, Jugal Kishore
 MALICK, Pasupati Nath
 HASAN, Mahmood
 BASU, Sachindra Nath

1925

26th January

RIMMER, John Henry, M.A., LL.M.
 GHOSE, Kshetrapal Das, B.A.
 CHAUDHRI, Ikbaluddin
 DESHMUKH, Panjabrao Shamrao, M.A.
 CHAUDHURI, Sachindra Nath, B.A.,
 LL.B.
 MUDHOLKAR, Janardan Ranganath,
 B.A., LL.B.
 PAREKHJI, Vavabhai Natverlal
 NARAIN, Bishan
 EPHRAIM, Paul Bassey Egbo
 SETH, Kenneth Alfred
 PEARCE, Edward Holroyd, B.A.
 LUKE, Emile Fashole
 CHARMOY, Marie Alfred France
 d'Emmerer de, B.A., LL.B.
 MOHAN, Ramaswamiengar Lalit
 (admitted as Lalit Mohan)
 IYENGAR, Komandur Ramaswamiengar
 Sreenivasa
 DE ZYLVA, Hiddadura Karunamuni
 Prematiratna
 POULACHERIS, Socrates Andreon
 BURNS, William Alexander, M.A.
 BONNING, Hubert Brian
 KRISHNA, Ram, B.A., LL.B.

6th May

WILSON, John Mitchell Harvey
 DINDA, Pulinbihary
 DE SILVA, Lionel Wilmot
 MATKAR, Chandrasen Govindrao
 GUNewardena, Don Charles
 Rajakarune
 HMU, Maung Ba
 BOWES, Martyn Richard Belasyse
 HEPPLER, Richard Bulmer
 CHOUDHURY, Subhendu Prosad Roy
 THEIN, Maung Myint
 WIGAN, Thomas Keble
 FRANCIS, Clifford Claude
 PURI, Shambu Lal

24th June

KHOSLA, Gopal Das
 HEARNE, Horace Hector
 BARTLEY, Thomas Douglas Murray
 NETTLETON, Roderick Sydney
 JAYASURIYA, Alexander Perera
 DAVIE, Paul Christopher
 THOMPSON, Arnold Geoffrey Broadbent
 GADGIL, Keshav Kashinath
 SYKES, Edward Geoffrey

GOONERATNE, Dharmawanse
 Dharmapara Krama Munaweera
 DIVINE, Thomas
 NICKLIN, Robert Shenstone
 ROGERS, Victor Samuel
 TARAPORE, Kaikhusroo Hirjibhai Edulji
 SNOW, Lilian Mabel
 SHASTRI, Nihal Chand
 WILSON, George Frederic
 So, Maung Ba
 SYKES, Philip James
 BA-HAN, Maung
 YONG, Sye Lin
 DIWAKER, Dhondiram Gopab Rao
 MUSTAFA, Ghulam
 CRICHTON, George Henderson
17th November
 NEALE, John Alexander
 BERNSTEIN, Solomon Nathan
 LAING, Ebenezer Emmanuel Hammond
 KENT, Lionel Horace
 REISS, Erna
 MOSHKOWITZ, Sara
 CARTER, Harry Graham
 GRATTAN-BELLEW, Arthur John
 FINCH, Ralph Herbert
 WALLACE, Arthur Cooper
 BODKIN, Edmond Herbert
 MITRA, Prakas Chandra
 RAHA, Randolph Ogilvie

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RINK, George Arnold
 CHUNDER, Kamal Chunder
 SCANNELL, David Penn
 SONDHI, Peare Lal
 BLIGH, Elizabeth Adeline Mary
 (Baroness Clifton of Leighton
 Bromswold)
 BOSTON, Henry Josiah Lightfoot
 COKER, John Omoliyi
 SOMAKE, Joseph Henry
 BERESFORD, Eric George Harold
 HANDFORD, Alec William
 MUNRO, James Hume
 TOMLIN, George Garrow
 ZAIYUM, Abdul
 WESCHE, Venn Gordon
28th April
 READ, George Allen
 ATTALIDES, Anthony Michael
 GREEN, Henry Rupert

JOHNSTON, Denis
 KUM, King Seen
 AHMED, Rafiuddin

16th June

HASTIE, Archibald Hepburn
 KOTVAL, Kesheorao Mahajan
 DUNHAM, Walker
 MOCLAIR, Mary Anna Elizabeth
 COCHRANE, Harold Hubert
 KARANDIKAR, Vithal Baghunath
 BORGAONKAR, Shankar Apparao
 NOTTIDGE, George
 MOZUMDER, Swayambhu Gopal
 PENERDGI, James
 TIDAKE, Motirac Bajirao
 BUCKLEY, The Hon. Ruth Burton
 WOLFF, Marc Michailovich
 GOODMAN, William Wolf
 PAREKH, Kantilal Gokaldas
 MARTIN, Jibril
 THORNTON-JONES, Edward
 KHWAJA, Mohammad Ishaque

17th November

HOULDSWORTH, Hubert Stanley
 ISAAC, Ephraim
 DISHMUKH, Manikrao Narajanrao
 FITZGERALD, William Ernest
 PATIL, Vithal Nathu
 HORNIBROOK, Francis Wilford
 SHARIF, Sheikh Mohammed
 EDWARDS, Charles Talbot Gower
 GUHA, Bhupesh Chandra
 STEVENSON, Charles
 BELLAIRS, Stephen Seaforth
 SASTRY, Kadayain Ramachandra
 Venkatarama
 BOSE, Kamala Blusan
 ANAND, Mohan Lal
 RAHIMTOOLA, Suleman Jafferbhoy

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PARMANAND
 CHOWDARY, Lingam Veera Bhadrappa
 TAYLOR, James Braid
 PONNAMPALAM, Ganapathipillai
 Gangaser
 MHAISNE, Dnyandeo Krishnaji
 HORNE, Ronald Cozens-Hardy
 MAUNG, Maung Aye
 PRITCHARD, Neville Valentine
 TATHAM, Berrisford Stanley
 ROSS, Charles Claye

McCRINDLE, John Ronald
BOSE, Manindra Lal

11th May

BORDEN, Henry
NORTH, George Cecil
STEPHENS, Philip Pembroke
CONNELL, Charles Percy
TAYLOR, Greville Laughten
SHAH, Yusuf

ASHTON, Robert
ANSARI, Mohamed Ahmed-ul-Huq
PHILLIPS, George Ivor
JAMES, Samuel Thurley Thomas
MEADE, James Henry Arnold
HYDRIE, Ghulam Safdar Khan
GUHA, Sukumar
DALAL, Hiralal Halchand
MOOKERJEE, Syama Prasad
DESAI, Sunderlal Trikamlal

29th June

LOIDE, Ira Donovan
ARCHDALE, Audley Quintin
KAUL, Autar Krishna
HARPER, Kenneth Gordon
HANCOCK, Henry Hilton
O'CONNOR, Leo Forbes
MORRIS, Gwyn
MARTIN, Ranald Denis Wordsworth
EASTON, Copinger Humphrey
KOCHHAR, Lakhmi Dass
CHAND, Gian
KYANSKI, Benjamin
MATTHEW, Charles
HLAING, Ba
GEORGALLIDES, Stylianos Constantine
PALMER, William Wells
MANGAT, Nahar Singh
MACINTYRE, Samuel Chelvasingam
POLHILL, Arthur Harry
GARDEZI, Syed Mohammad Hassan
ADAMS, Michael Cadwallader
DE BROMHEAD, Patrick Joseph
BAGSHAWE, Edward Joseph Thomas
Gunning

CHRISTOPHER, Albert
JACK, Raymond Harvey
DASTIDAR, Ranadheer Krishna Rai

17th November

CHERRY, John
ROSSER, Enid
LIERNEAUX, Andre Charles
GIBSON, James Arthur Walker
PORGES, Waldo William

LLEWELLYN, David William Alun
SHURLOCK, Harold Harry Matthew
VERSCHOYLE, Richard Plews
MARKS, Thomas Edward
HAQUE, Azizul
BASU, Sikhar Kumar

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GUNESEKERE, Nihal Wansapala
Jayewickrema
WIGNARAJA, Gnanasakaram
SAHAI, Adwaita Nandam
AJGAONKER, Seeta Narayan
HOLT, Frank Follett
JANSON, Rex Tarbutt
JACKSON, William
DIVINE, Thomas David Doull
NOAKES, Sidney Henry
RAY, Arun Kumar

2nd May

HART, William Ogden
CREED, Thomas Percival
SIDDIQUI, Mohammad Amrullah
CUMARASAMI, Muthusami
Narayanasami
BROWNE, Denis
CASSON, Henry Vesey
ALBERT, John Frederick
NAIK, Shridhar Vaman
ISLAM, Misbah-ul
HARDING, Hilda Craig
ATKINSON, Fenton
VAKIL, Manharlal Ratanlal
BASU, Amarendra Nath
PATEL, Chandulal Kalidas

20th June

TUCKER, Edward George
THAKORE, Kantilal Dolatrai
JOLLY, Brij Mohan
CAMERON, Geoffrey Valentine
ADUMUA-BOSSMAN, Kofi
WOLFE, Dorothy Travers
GYI, Patrick Aung
BELLAMY, Arthur Thomas Nelson
BROCKELBANK, William John
SALTER, Clive Wilfrid
DUTT, Saroj Kumar

19th November

BLISS, Henry James Wheeler
WILLIAMS, Benjamin Thomas
IMAM, Saiyad Haider
KOK, Chin Yin

LEGGATT, Charles Desmond Bethune
 DEVAUX, Henry Edward
 BUCKLEY, Denys Burton
 LAZARUS, Jacob Henry
 MASANI, Minocher Rustom
 CAMPBELL, Ralph Abercromby
 EVERETT, Henry
 SAMARTH, Manohar Balkrishna
 BANNERJEA, Durgananda
 BANERJI, Sankar Das
 LAL, Brij Nandan
 BASU, Kumud Behari
 PATEL, Rambhai Somabhai
 SINGH, Baldeo Prasad

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28th January

UPJOHN, Gerald Ritchie
 GOFF, Reginald William
 ALLISON, Thackeray Roy
 SASTRI, Calamur Veeravalli Nagaraja
 MOYNIHAN, Patrick Berkeley
 USSHER, William D'Arcy Derwent
 GOODE, Winifred Margaret
 BASS, John Stuart
 DINSHAW, Dinshaw Shavaxshaw
 BAJWA, Kapur Singh
 SIDDIQI, Rashiduddin
 STEPHENS, Pauline Elinor St Clair
 RANDHAWA, Indar Singh
 ESS, Cuthbert Joseph Francis
 CHAUDHURI, Sanjib Chandra
 SARKAR, Amal Kumar
 PANDIT, Ramchandra Pundlik

24th April

ROBINSON, John Roland
 BENJAMIN, Silas Sassoon
 HOGG, Robert Heuze
 VIMADALAL, Sohrab Dinshah
 BHATT, Manilal Maganlal
 SHAH, Shantilal Mohanlal

12 June

PARANJPE, Babaji Ganesh
 HLA, Maung Aung
 LAWSON, Kenneth Andrew
 SEN, Probodh Kumar
 RENEY-SMITH, Maxwell
 JERVIS, Walter Willson
 HAZRA, Ajit Kumar
 TALYARKHAN, Rustom Furdoonji Sorabji
 FREER, Leonard Stanton
 BANERJEE, Nilmani
 WILSON, Paul Alexander

KOATTEGODA, Don Henry Amarasin
 JAMADAR, Alexander
 GHOSE, Nanda Kishore
 THAKUR, Promatharanjan
 MARUF, Abdus Said
 BISWAS, Hirendralal
 RIZVI, Mahammad Syed Tahir
 CHANDA, Arun Kumar
 AGARWALA, Newal Kishore
 BANDYOPADHYAY, Pramatha Nath
 CHOWDHURY, Binayendra Nath Ray
 BASU, Himansu Kumar

18th November

FISHER, Sydney Walter
 FYNN, Jack Leslie West
 MANCHANDA, Shir Chander
 CHRISTOPHER, Noel Albert
 SCOUFARIDES, John Michael
 HUSAIN, Syed Ashfaq
 LIDDELL, Maurice Arthur
 SMOUHA, Ellis Hay
 NUNN, Edward Westby
 COWASJEE, Framrose Nanabhoy
 STUART, Robert Louis
 KHAN, Sadiq Mohammad
 SUR, Manohar Lal
 LEWIS, Bernard
 MCGAW, Ray Thoburn
 HOLE, Richard Margary
 GHOSH, Dwarkanath
 SABARATNAM, Kanapathipillai
 COMBE, Robert George Nicholson
 GHOSE, Dwijendra Chunder
 CHOWDHURY, Sibani Prosad
 CURSETJI, Jamshed Jehangir Jamshedji
 CHATURVEDI, Brij Kishore

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27th January

LANCASHIRE, John Kenneth
 MICHAELIDES, Michael Ant
 DAVIDSON, John
 ACOLATSE, Charles Stirling
 D'ABREC, John Herman Francis
 RODRIGO, James Benjamin Cyril
 GUNASEKARA, Leslie Ginandradas
 MILTON, Frank
 SIKRI, Sarv Mittra
 OLEGASAGREM, Colin Tharmanayagam
 AHMADULLAH, Mohammad
 HIDAYETULLAH, Mohammad
 GARE, Frank Adey
 McMULLEN, Douglas Halliburton

LYALL, Archibald Laurence
 WINDHAM, Ralph
 PHADAKE, Madhao Narayan
 VARMA, Rao Jaswant Rai
 BARRINGTON, John Harcourt
 CLARKE, William Victor John
 HOLLAND, Sir Robert Erskine

14th May

SLADE, Edwin
 MEDORA, Jamsed Dhunjibhoy
 DE SILVA, Shelton Emmanuel Dominic
 REEVE, James Stanley Roope
 SONPAL, Harjiwan Bhagwanjee
 TOPHAM, Alexander Mark Romer

2nd July

JAYAWICKRAMA, Diyasena Sudhira
 HOOPER, Geoffrey Grant
 THOMAS, William Stanley Russell
 SLAGG, John Edward Crichton
 KHAN, Mir Siadat Ali
 ROBINSON, Ralph Leo
 SMOUHA, Edward
 FIGGIS, Thomas Maxwell
 FARRER, Bryan David
 MCKINSTRY, Sidney Alexander Roger
 MASTER, Ibrahim Karimbhai
 COHEN, Edith Vera
 DE LOTBINIERE, Seymour Joly
 SHELFORD, Thomas Morley
 SINHA, Deep Narayan
 STOBY, Kenneth Sievwright
 WALLACE, Gerald William
 HIRANANDANI, Shamdas Kimatrai
 PERRY, William Francis Nugent
 BADEN FULLER, Alfred Aubone
 SUNDAM, Seetharama
 RAJANAYAGAM, Muttiah
 ABICHANDANI, Dayaram Nebhraj
 PIRZADA, Abdussattar Abdurrahman
 TANEJA, Sundar Singh
 DU RANDT, Jan Jonathan

17th November

LETHEM, William Ashley
 JACOBSON, Lionel
 SOYER DE BOSMELAT, Pierre Paul Maurice
 Lucien
 BEYNON, Albert Cyril
 COORAY, Mannamarakkalege Edmund
 Joseph
 STEEL, Christopher Bedford
 DE SILVA, Rajapakse Manikkunambi
 Henry
 COLDSTREAM, George Phillips

MITRA, Gopendra Krishna
 SOMASUNDRAM, Chetti
 BISWAS, Sureschandra
 KAMIL, Nik Ahmad
 BHARVANI, Hiralal Srichand
 SIDDIQUI, Manzoor Husain
 TUN, Bernard Wilfred Ba
 MADANPOTRA, Gurbachan Singh
 BRADLAW, George
 MOORE, James Cecil

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26th January

CORDEIRO, Alex Peter
 SARRUT, Jean Louis Charles
 IQBAL, Sheikh Aftab Ahmad
 NAIM, Shaikh Abdul
 MENON, Vadakay Karimpat Krishna
 LIM, Choo Ong
 DUTT, Shiv
 BOIS, Francis de Lisle
 RUSSELL, Charles Ritchie
 MORRIS, William Gerrard
 NEWARK, Francis Headon
 QASIM, Abul
 OLIVER, David Leonard
 PENG, Woon Au-Yong
 PENG, Choon Au-Yong
 OUVRY, Norman Delamain
 SEN, Ajit Kumar
 HAKEEM, Khan Abdul

29th April

CONTRACTOR, Hormasji Naoroji
 WILFORD, The Hon. Sir Thomas Mason
 K.C.M.G., K.C.

17th June

COHEN, Samuel Immanuel
 KHAN, Nawabzada Allahnawaz
 REYNOLDS, Rudolph Arturo
 DARBEY, Arthur
 RAYMOND, Herman Theodore
 JEFFARES, Henry Desmond Beatty
 HARLEY, Edward Ralph
 MENON, Ambat Nanukutty
 RAJAKARUNA, Kumarasinghe Arvin
 Perera
 SIM, Swee Myo
 BOWYER, Aldred William
 ILIFF, Philip William
 PLOWMAN, John Anthony
 DUNCAN, Brian Arthur Cullum
 TALMA, Herbert Augustus
 MENON, Mannathazath Sankarakutti

ABBASI, Kazi Ishtiaque Ahmad
MITCHELL, Ronald Langley
CROSS, Hannah Margaret
MARWAH, Pritam Sing
LAMBERT, Robert
WEST, Herbert Henry

17th November

DE SILVA, Colvin Reginald
REDDI, Gunreddi Somi
FERNANDO, Thusew Samuel
TAIT, John Collins
ORMEROD, Arthur Hereward
CAMPBELL, Archibald Hunter
MONDAL, Sashi Bhushan
CHAKRABARTI, Sukumar
DYER, Henry James Herbert
KRIPALANI, Kishinchand Ramchand

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26th January

MONTGOMERIE, Alexander
ROXBURGH, Thomas James Young
HUTHEESING, Eunottam Purushottam
LOWE, Peter
PASKELL, Albert Hyndman
CHATTERJEE, Sridhar
PEIRIS, Bernard Percival
MANDAL, Bhuban Mohan
LOUDON, Francis William Hope
IRBY, Anthony Paul
ROBERTSON, Edwin Adolphus
DESAI, Dhirajlal Bhulabhai
AKBAR, Fazle
LEWIS, Richard Boys
CHATTERJEE, Deba Prosad

20th April

AGORWALA, Shivaprosad
WRIGHT, Edmund Gordon
THIELE, Charles Sandicourt
KOHLI, Dharm Bir
SINGH, Jugal

8th June

HOGG, The Hon. Quintin McGarel
RAI, Balwant
KHAN, Mohammad Sarwar
DAS, Tarapada
HUTTON, Noel Kilpatrick
D'ABREO, Alfred Rudolph
AIYER, Maria Lourdes Romuald
Doraiswamy
AKRAM, Malik Mohammad Khan
KOOKA, Deena
PRICE, John Griffith Thomas

LEE, Harold William
THOMAS, Hugh John Godfrey
MENON, Manhapura Sankara
NOORDIN, Ivor Merton
BARMAN, Satyabhushan
TARKUNDE, Vithal Mahadeo
AUNG, Maung Htim
DAS, Bimal Kumar
CASIECHETTY, Anthony Reginald
Abraham

DAS, Prodosh Ranjan
GANGULY, Ajit Coomar
LIGHTMAN, Harold
RUSSELL, John Dennis
SANYAL, Nilmani
MUKHERJEE, Jatindra Kumar
HAJRA, Sukumar

17th November

SWAN, Maurice Francis Oswald
KHOO, Cheng Chuan
AHMAD, Shaikh Faizuddin
LUXMOORE, Charles Fairfax Coryndon
MACDONALD, Ian Somerled
RAMACHANDRAN, Vellore
Chinnasawmy
NASARULLAH, Muhammad
SANDERS, Charles Bettesworth
SAHA-RAY, Dharendra Mohon
JAMES, John Stephen
CHAUDHURI, Hemango Nath
BRIGHTMAN, John Anson
BANERJI, Munindra Nath
MITRA, Anil Chandra
SHAH, Mohanlal Lallubhai
MORRICE, Mrs Alice Greta
CHAPMAN, Henry Esmond

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26th January

DUFF, Patrick William
BOSTOCK, John Fred
FERREIRA, Dominic Alexander
ALI, Askar
RAYMOND, Maurice Aloysius
RENTON, David Lockhart Muir
GASTAMBIDE, Phillipe Adrien Maurice
BEST, Richard Samuel Bevington
FERNANDO, Arden Pyke
COWAN, John Lewis Siegmund
BONARD, Claude George
RANGNEKAR, Sham Sajba
SENARATNE, Percy Albert De Silva
KAS, Krishna Kanta

LUCAS-TOOTH, Sir Hugh Vere Huntly
 Duff, Bart
 PURKIS, Basil Laird
 AMARATUNGA, John Edmund
 BAHADURJI, Peroja Jamshed
 HASAN, Shaikh Mohamed
 BARRY, Margaret Finch
 BAYLY, Robert Paul
 CHATTERJEE, Gladys Mary, Lady O.B.E.
 HAYES, Edwin Lennard
 THORNE, Arnold Forster
 PRESTON, Cecil Herbert Sansome
 PELLERIN, Jean Roger Paul
 SEN, Prabhat Kumar

10th May

JONES, Mabel Matilda Mary
 FELL-CLARK, John Ingham
 HUQ, Shaikh Mohamed Nurul

26th June

FARNON, Joseph Ashleigh St John
 HASLAM, Cecil Henry Cobden
 DREW, Lewis
 DE, Niren
 QIZILBASH, Muzaffar Ali Khan
 COHEN, Queenie
 GREEN, Edward Stephen Lycett
 DAVIDSON, Brian
 BANERJI, Bijoy Krishna
 BECCLE, Louis Francis
 MAGNUS, Hilary Barrow
 SEDDON, Ruben Cowburn
 DOSHI, Ratilal Motichand
 BLEWITT, Ralph
 LAZARUS, Robert Stephen

17th November

LUCAS, Lionel John
 KANGA, Gustasp
 LEIGH, John
 WOLFE, William Jackson
 TENNANT, Archibald
 APELBOM, Arnold Meyer
 KHATTAK, Mohd Aslam
 COLE, John
 TOISTER, Eliezer
 MECHLING, William Hubbs
 NICHOLAS, Sandanam
 MILES, Gertrude Evelyn

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SEN, Prokash Chandra
 MORAES, Francis Robert
 KIDWAI, Reshad Shahid Hosain

MITRA, Mahindra Lall
 TALUKDAR, Sunil Chandra
 WHITE, Eric Vincent Ewart
 CHUN, Arthur Hing-Won Lee
 LANGFORD, Ernest Geoffrey
 MITTER, Dakshina Ranjan
 DEAN, Patrick Henry
 CLARKE, Basil Camden
 NEWSOM, George Harold
 JOSHI, Bharatrai Balkrishna
 CARRUTHERS, George Harry
 HODGE, Jocelyn Edward
 SEN, Prabhat Nath
 CHEINT, Maung Aung
 MOORE, Gladys Lilian Jessie
 DEGAZON, Frederick Eutrope
 CUMMING, John

25th April

ZIEGLER, Donald Alexander
 RAHIMTOOLA, Ahmed Ibrahim
 FRASER, Angus

13th June

PATEL, Purshottamdas Narandas
 WALSH, James Mark
 DE SILVA, Neil Marcus
 MUKERJEE, Hirendra Nath
 BALDERAMOS, Arturo Burleigh Bernard
 SINGH, Rajkumar Man
 ROY, Kiran Lal
 McQUEEN, Donald Malcolm
 ALBERY, Michael James
 CASHDAN, Eli
 DAVIES, Basil Ralfe
 CROOKENDEN, Humphrey Pelham
 Lafone
 RAVEN, Alice
 STRANDERS, Vivian Percy Michael Joseph
 O'Connell

SANAULLAH
 PARBURY, George Mark
 BASU, Kalyan Kumar
 LAM, Ping Leung
 PATEL, Shankerlal Prabhudas
 FISHMAN, Isidore
 LATHAM, Richard Thomas Edwin

19th November

DE, Dhiren
 JACKSON, Ian Archibald
 BUSHELL, Roger Joyce
 KSHHEMSANT, Mom Chao Jajvalit
 BLAGDEN, John Ramsay
 KEELAN, Sidney Alan Cowley
 BRIDGEWATER, Cecilie Kathleen

VAIYAPURI, Satyamangalam
Krishnachetty

MEHTA, Avabai Dorabji

RUSSO, George Adolphus

HURST, Quentin Berkeley

BASHYAM, Perungavu

RANDHAWA, Rajindar Singh

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28th January

HICKIN, William Hall

SANDERS, James Maudslay

CLARKE, Edward

ROBERTSON, Michael

ELWORTHY, Samuel Charles

BEG, Mohamed Kulich

EVELYN, Vincent Dudley

RODRIGO, Senapathige Cyril Evold

CLOVER, Robert Gordon

ROY, Jaladhi Lal

REEVE, Markway Roope

BENNETT, John Still

GUEST, James Chester

SETHIA, Dalim Chand

DESHPANDE, Ganesh Vasudeo

RAO, Ramineni Kaushalendra

SCARR, John Geoffrey Fearnley

CLYNE, Douglas George Wilson

MOOKERJEE, Sailendra Nath

15th May

FALCON, Frank

CALLOW, Graham

GLYN, Richard Hamilton

WALKER, James Dodds

LITTLE, James Hayward

GIBSON, James Alexander

BRODRICK, Norman John Lee

ROCHE, Christopher Augustus

3rd July

OAKES, John Percy Roland

ZAHEER, Syed Sajjad

MITTER, Rabindra Nath

WINDER, William Herbert Derrick

AHMAD, Mohammand

COWASJEE, Goolbanoo Nanabhai

MAUGHAN, David Wilfrid Barton

MANGO, Alexander Anthony John

LALL, Dharmashila

ROYCHOUHURY, Sachindra Nath

JAYAKAR, Manmohan Mothabhai

HOLDSWORTH, Richard William

Gilbert

MCGREGOR, Kenneth

BURROWES, Hugh

CLEMENTS, John Wotton Percival

SUTTILL, Francis Alfred

BENNETT, Reginald Phillips

SHARMA, Beas Dev

SINGH, Arjan

MEHTA, Kanhaiyalal

STEWART, John Leslie

HUSAIN, Mian Tasadduque

18th November

MASON, Ronald Charles

REDDY, Mallu Chinna Thimma

RAO, Yaraballi Varada Rajeshwer

MONTGOMERIE, John

QADIR, Manzur

JEFFES, Ernest John Elliston

PARTON, Hugh John

SHAIKH, Chandsaheb Husainsaheb

SPELLER, Sydney Reginald

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27th January

CARSON, Joseph Baldwin

GUPTA, Divijes Chandra

ADESIGBIN, Akinola Adio

DAS, Banamali

RICHARDS, Lionel Henry

SIMKINS, Charles Anthony Goodall

PARSONS, Joe Wormald

LEE, John Henry

BASU, Arunendra Mohan

D'SOUZA, Terence Joseph

MACMASTER, Hugh Farquhar

GORDON, Emmanuel

KHAN, Irshadulla

6th May

PATEY, Jacques Rene

WALKER, Muriel Maud Florence

Goldsmith

DERASHRI, Ravi Shankar

24th June

GANORKAR, Keshao Mahadeo

CHOUDHURI, Rebati Raman

WARR, John Culver

WESTON, Frederick William Newton

FIGGURES, Frank Edward

DAVIES, John Alun Emlyn

KEWANI, Bhagwandas Kundandas

KHARDEKAR, Balasheb Hanmantrao

DEAN, Dalton Gilbert

PARTHASARATHI, Gopalaswami

ROYCHOUHRY, Anjoy Nath

ROSSELLI, Ignace Adolphe Jacques

BASU, Panchanan
 MONCKTON, John
 BANKS, Thomas Mercer
 JEREMIAH, Dharmakan
 COURTENAY, Woldrich Harrison
 ASHAR, Jadanji Jeram
 MITRA, Subodh Chandra
17th November
 SINGH, Harbans
 COOKE, Samuel Burgess Ridgway
 PRIOR, John Ralph
 RENWICK, Edward David
 BUCH, Nilkanthrai Mohanlal
 ARMSTRONG, John Anderson
 PAIN, Peter Richard
 CHESTERFIELD, Clive
 HASSAN, Tengku Abdullah
 APONSO, Tiddy Dudley Lionel
 NAMASIVAYAM, Sagarajasingam
 MCCREADY, John Robert
 MARSH, Frederick Brooker
 CHANCHANI, Dhirajlal Jatashankar

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26th January

ROY, Subimal Chandra
 JONES, John Kenneth Trevor
 MAUNG, Mjint Too
 MAUNG, Percy Mya
 VAN LARE, William Bedford
 SKINNER, Charles William
 WHITTINGTON, John Michael
 BORMAN, Marguerite Lilian Josephine
 LEVENE, Mordecai
 SMITH, Oliver Ronald
 TRIVEDI, Chandrakant Mulshankar

21st April

DRAVID, Nilkanth Krishna
 LANDER, Hugh Neville Heath
 SARWAL, Desh Unti
 ROSE, Anthony St Croix
 VARDY, Zvi

BHE SANIA, Noshirwanji Kawasji

9th June

KIRZNER, Wulf
 EDWARDS, Anderson Colin Talbot
 DE FREITAS, Geoffrey
 BOWMAN, John Hood
 SWANN, Eva Mary
 GREEN, John Barclay
 MATHEW, Robert
 JHIRAD, Elijah Ephraim
 SPURLING, Arthur Dudley

KHILNANI, Khemchand Rewachand
 Fatehchand
 MUKHERJI, Ajit Kumar
 PANT, Appasaheb Balasaheb
 SEN, Mrigendra Mohan
 BLANCO WHITE, Thomas Anthony
 WORTHINGTON, Michael Law
 DE PINNA, Louis Alfred
 WANKHEDE, Sheshrao Krishnarao
 JOSEPH, Wilfrid Sidney
 STANTON, Anthony Nathaniel

17th November

RAJAH, Arumugam Ponn
 SEN, Protul Chandra
 MCKINNON, Neil Nairn
 HUSAIN, Mohamad Azim
 DAS, Sambidananda
 BANSAL, Akshai Chandra
 COHN, Ernst Joseph
 SALEHJEE, Moosajee Solaiman
 ASSHETON, Richard Thomas
 SUMNER, William Donald Massey
 LAI, Rattan Chand
 MATHIESON, Ian Ogilvie
 HULBERT-POWELL, Evelyn Charles Lacy

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SINHA, Ujjal Narayan
 LAWTON, Charles Louis
 ADAMSON, Wallace Wright
 GILBOA, Jacob
 MILLER, William Henry
 ROBINSON, Albert Edward Phineas
 JACOBY, Albrecht George
 ARGYLE, Michael Victor
 FIEGEL, Alfred Fritz
 SUNKERSETT, Prabhakar Raoji
 SWASH, Stanley Victor
 KEVIN, John Charles George

11th May

LUXTON, William John
 LIETZMANN, Heinrich

29th June

RASA-RATNAM, Charles Chinniah
 SENANAYEKE, Richard Gothabaya
 MAYER, Jacques Xavier
 NAG, Shubrata Kumar
 RAO, Garladinne Gurumuthi
 GUPTA, Reva Violet
 SMART, David Wedderburn
 LEWIS, Charles Patrick Jameson
 GHOSE, Parbati Prosonno

STUMM, Harley Charles
 DICKSON, Arthur Richard Franklin
 DESAI, Romesh Manubhai
 EQULSKY, Mendel

17th November

FLETCHER COOKE, Charles Fletcher
 WHITEBROOK, John Cudworth
 FRANKLIN, Henry
 CHAHUAN, Prakramsinhji Raisinhji
 PHILLIPS, George
 CHAGLA, Abdurahim Ghulamali
 KHAN, Iftakharul-Haq
 SAH, Girish Chandra
 CUNLIFFE, Christopher Joseph
 MULCHANDANI, Ram Lunidaram
 OSBOURN, Frank Cameron
 TREVEDI, Manishankar Tribhovandras
 DONGREE, Shridhar Keshai
 CORBALLY, Evarard William Luke Mary
 SHAMEEM, Khewaji Mohammad
 BUTCHER, Theodore Charles Annesley
 THORNE, Leonard Douglas
 CAWLEY, The Hon. Frederick Lee

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26th January

HESKETH, George Thornton
 KRISHNAMURTI, Satyamurti
 FORBES, Alexander Mackinlay
 BANNERMAN, Edmund Alexander

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RAO, Velliyur Nott Jagannatha
 KEDAR, Vinayak Tukaram
 DALVI, Ganpat Vishanath
 WALTON, Raymond Henry
 OKON, Asuguo
 MEHTA, Indra Sinha
 TANAPURE, Maruti Ganpat
 LECOINT, Georges Emile Louis
 DAR, Mulla Abdul Majiid
 LAHIRI, Amaresh Chandra
 FRAUSTAEDTER, Hans
 REED, Nigel Vernon
 SHAH, Chandulal Panachand
 NAKHLEHHH, Isa Abdallah
 PATEL, Chimanlal Ambalal

3rd May

BOYCE, Edward Harding
 GOMMES, Jean Georges
 ALLEYNE, Keith Hennessey Conrad
 MURSHED, Syed Mahbub

21st June

SHELDON, John Gervase Kensington

SOLOMON, Montague Philip
 BUHAGIAR, William
 SHAFFI, Lorenzo
 JOSEPHS, Clotilde Amparo
 RAI, Amrit Lal
 RATNAM, Mahesa Padmanathan Chitty
 TUCKER, Victor Emmanuel
 RIMMER, Betty Muriel
 LAWRENCE, Tudor
 MARKS, Theodore Isaac
 BOOTH, Dorotea Elizabeth Ormerod
 REDDY, Ayalam Devaraj Varadarajulu
 MORRIS, Homer Bryant
 EVANS, William Vincent John
 GOHIL, Kirit Singh

17th November

BOSE, Subodh Kumar
 SHASTRI, Shiv Kumar
 WYNN, Arthur Henry Ashford
 ANWAN, Ekpo Eyo Ekpo
 DHARIA, Kalaram Shankardas
 HURST, Louise Tabu Herscovici
 SINHA, Prabhas Chandra
 BAKER, Useph

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26th January

LORCH, Herbert Edgar
 SINGH, Kunwar Bhawani
 YELLAPPA, Attavar
 SAMAD, Mohamed Abdus
 BANERJEE, Asok Kumar
 MERCHANT, Mohammed-Siddeeq Ismail
 RAO, Mukund Balaji
 MEHTA, Gokal Lal
 HUGHES, Edward Alexander Clavier
 SAVARA, Chuni Lal
 LUPTON, John Grearson
 BEZBORUAH, Krishna Kamal
 GOSWAMI, Hareswar
 GANGULI, Anil Chandra

17th April

LAD, Purshottam Mangesh
 CHATTERJEE, Sanat Kumar
 EGBUNA, Ernest Odogu Nwanolue

5th June

MACALISTER, John Kenneth
 COX, Dick
 HENVILLE, Charles Francis
 DE SILVA, Peduru Hewa William
 UMRIGA, Homi Jehangir
 MATHER, Robert Hurst
 JAMES, Basil

DHAMJA, Jagan Nath
KISCH, Oliver Cecil
STEPHAN, Brian Selwyn
CHAKRAVARTY, Barun Kanti
TANGRI, Niranjan Das
ROWE, Norman Francis

18th November

KHAN, Shankat Shah
VERMA, Ramkumar
DANGERFIELD, Esther
RENA, Maurice Ercole Corti
ONYEAMA, Charles Dadi

1941

27th January

BEG, Mirza Hameed Ullah
EWING, John Hopkinson
SAUNDERS, John Beecroft
OYA, Surendra
SLADE, Charles David
GUJAR, Shantilal Hiralal
RAMACHANDRAN, Anantha
SADU, Jaladhi Nath
GHORPADE, Chandrasen Mansingrao

7th May

RAHMAN, Mohammad Fazlur
MORRIS, Compton William
BORENIUS, Lars Ulric
BLOC, Nico

25th June

SUBRAMANIAN, Alagasunderam
MUKHERJEA, Sisir Kumar
PARIKH, Nareschandra Narandas
BOSE, Anaya Nath
ALLEMES, Frederick Etienne Jean
HOFFMAN, Edmund Theodore
Stanley
HAKSAR, Parmeshwar Narain
IBRAHIM, Mohammed
BAWA, Ibrahim Muhammed
TRIVEDI, Umashanker Muljibhai
CLARE, Neville Adolph St Louis
KAPADIA, Jamshed Dinshah
ROCHE, John Redman

17th November

MEHTA, Yashodar Narmadashanker
LAHIRI, Roma Prasanna
WALL, Edward Harold
ALI, Sadiq
BUNE, John Cuthbert
MAJUMDAR, Sailendra Mohan
SETH, Kamleshwar Dayal
GANJU, Jewan Krishna

1942

26th January

NADARAJA, Tambyah
GHAFUR, Sheik Abdul
TEH, Sek Eng
ANWAR, Mohamad
KENT, Charles Leonard (admitted as
Charles Czech)
RAJPUT, Kahjanji Morarji
WRIGHTSON, Edmund Harry Paul
Garmondsway

17th June

CHAKRAVARTI, Sikharesh
SUBRAHMANYAM, Vaidyanatha
DEVADAS, Joseph Rowlands
DALAL, Kantilal Sitaldas
FAWCUS, Robert Peter
MITTER, Bhaskar

17th November

KAORAY, Parasher Moreshwar
CHAKRAVARTI, Pratul Chandra
HERZOG, Vivian Chayim

1943

26th January

MANI, Ram Parkash
19th May
RAO, Velliyoor Nott Srinivas
CHAUDHURI, Phanindra Nath
DE SOLA, Brian Charles

7th July

JENNINGS, Capt. Robert Yewdall
CAMPBELL, Capt. James

17th November

MITRA, Sankar Prosad
PANDYA, Anantprasad Jagannath
YUDISTER, Kumar
COLLET, Charles Evariste

1944

26th January

INAYET, Chaudhri Ullah
MAUGHAM, Capt. The Hon. Robert Cecil
Romer
PATEL, Purishottam Muljibhai
MAJUMDER, Pabitra Kumer

3rd May

GANDEVIA, Bhikhoo Dinshaw
RAJADHYAKSHA, Kamalnath Sakhamam
GUTAMA, Romesh Chander
SINGH, Chanan

21st June

MEGARRY, Robert Edgar

REDDY, Konda Mallireddy Srikantha
DENNISTOUN-SWORD, John Colin (at
present a prisoner of war in
Germany)

NECHLES, Ernst

MUKERJEE, Dhupendra Nath

LINCOLN, John Francis

TEAGUE, Henry Francis Julyan

RIGG, Harry Sibson Leslie

17th November

HONE, Evelyn Dennison

KHATTAK, Mohamed Yusuf

HARRIS, Rosina Mary

WRIGHT, Henry Newcombe

1945

26th January

ERULKAR, Mary

BHANDARI, Maharaj Krishan

25th April

RAO, Nandalike Devarao Krishna

13th June

HILDYARD, Myles Thoroton

JUPP, Kenneth Graham, M.C.

SHARRATT, Martha

MAINI, Pyara Lal

WILLIAMS, Stanley Arthur

BANKS, Arthur Leslie

RAMCHARAN, Mathew

MUNIS, Victor Olabode

PRIESTLEY, Harold

GALE, Christopher Leonard

19th November

CLEAVER, Henry William Ernest

SIMONDS, The Hon. Gavin Alexander

EVELEIGH, Edward Walter

SIEVE, Leonard Redivive

SHETH, Tulsidas Mulji

BATTEN, Leonard Ralph

NAIN, Jethanand Lilaram

SLADE, Humphry

HUTCHINSON, Charles Pierrepont

1946

28th January

DAVIES, Evan Daniel

LISTER, Edward Carson

LATIF, Mohamed Abdul

SHARMA, Narain

KAMERMAN, Emil

STONE, Roy Leon

IKPEAZU, Chuba

ELLIS, Richard Christopher Boynes

TEJUOSO, Emanuel Akitoye

MUSTAFA, Abdulla

15th May

BARKWORTH, Terence Charles

Cotherstone

HALL, John Sexton

WESTON, George Crowley

3rd July

GROVE, George Alexander

BAGNALL, William Arthur

WADE, Henry William Rawson

HOSEGOOD, Luke

WOLFE, James Hastings

ZIADEH, Farhat Yakub

THOMPSON, David Richard

NEAVE, Alfred Robert (formerly Robert
Andreae)

COLLET, Marie-Cecile Helene (nee
Ladrosse)

SHELDON, Philip Kirkpatrick Pearse

TARSH, Jack

FLETCHER, Frank Edward

RODGERS, Spencer Carlton

D'ALTON, Vincent Leonard John

HAYNES, Edward William George

MITTER, Dilip Kumar

KURATOWSKI, Roman Kuratow

ALEXANDER, Wellesley Henry

BREARLEY, Denis Herman Root

18th November

MARSHALL, Kenneth

PHILLIPS, Robert Reginald David

LANGRISH, George Edward

PRATT, Edmund Addison

SEN, Dilip Kumar

ROBINSON, Brian Powell

CHAMBERS, Hugh Vincent Talbot

McNAMARA, Desmond Arthur

VOHRA, Savitri Devi

ROSS, Philip Sydney

EYO, William Ekenyong

Esuabana

LEVITT, Walter Montague

DENKTASH, Raouf Raif

BARRY, Claud Van Renen

BELL-GAM, Lambert

BEATTIE, Charles Noel

BENNETT, Frederick Mackarness

AHMAD, Khaleel

CASSEL, Harold Felix

BUTTERWORTH, John Blackstock

WIDGERY, John Passmore

ODGERS, Frederick James

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27th January

HOSEIN, Tazmool
 FULLER, Ilma Gertrude May (admitted
 as Ilma Gertrude May de Jonge)
 JHALLA, Natwarsinhji Balvirsinghji
 NEWMAN, George Kent
 VOLLMER, Aribert
 EASTHAM, Thomas Michael
 HEATH, Ernest James
 FREEMAN, Edgar James Albert
 BANNARD, Edward Yorke
 MILSOM, Stroud Francis Charles
 BOYDEN, Harold James
 KAPILA, Achhroo Ram
 BENSON, Theophilus Dwolabi Shobowale
 PATEL, Manibhai Fulabhai
 STANSFELD, David Harold
 HUNTLEY, William Mack
 SOMOLU, Olujide
 HUNTER, Sinclair
 TYLER, Frederick Lockwood
 CAULFIELD, Bernard

30th April

VOHRA, Yoginder Pal
 NASEER, Ud Deen
 BHANDARI, Raj Bahadur
 HORNBY, James Angus
 HANDA, Sat Pal
 AHMAD, Sheikh Manzoor
 ARORA, Swaraj Singh
 LEWITTER, Ignacy
 LANDAU, Stefan Witold
 GREEN, Max James Dalton Sullivan

18th June

FLEMING, John Gunther
 HUGGINS, Alan Armstrong
 WARREN, Ian Scott
 MARINHO, Joseph Joachim,
 MARTINS, Ezekiel Agboola Caxton
 ROWE, Basil Ambrose
 KELSICK, Frederick Edgar
 COCKAR, Saeed Rahman
 COCKAR, Abdul Majid
 MILLINGTON, Auriole Cicely Frances
 Wilson
 JENKINS, Sarah Margaret Hamer
 JAMALL, Yusuff
 KAINE, Hyacinth Ugboma
 DERRIMAN, James Parkyns
 STEWARD, Cecil Walter d'Alterac
 HOSSAIN, Azrarul
 FARRAN, Charles D'Olivier

JONES, Ivor Henry Morris
 TOLSON, Sylvia Mary Booth
 HANDA, Parkash Chander
 HAZAN, Victor
 GRUSZKA, Elieser
 WEERAKOON, Don Julius
 DOBBS, Richard Arthur Frederick

17th November

WATSON, Hugh Gordon
 LEWIS, Aeron
 GAYLER, Joshua Leonard
 PAHWA, Passhotam
 ELKES, Osip Joseph
 THRELFALL, Richard Ian
 COLEMAN-MILLS, Marise
 JORDAN, William Frederick
 MCNEILL, David Bruce
 POOLE, Charles Ingram
 CLAUSON, Bryan John Husey
 BOREHAM, Leslie Kenneth Edward
 MUGFORD, Kenneth Howard
 LAHIRI, Sailendra Kumar
 CHOUDHURY, Abu Sayeed
 LIVINGSTONE, Harry Best
 GREEN, Geoffrey
 CHOUDHURY, Subrata Roy
 EVANS, Haydn Tudor
 JACKSON, John Lea
 FISHER, Jean Whitworth
 SEARLE, Betty Kathleen
 HOWARD, William McLaren
 POLSON, Milson George
 BESWICK, John Reginald
 CLARK, Francis Leo
 HALLIDAY, Robert Stirrat
 COYNE, John McCreary
 KITSON, Edward Knowles
 THOMAS, Eric Lionel
 MASON, George Frederick Peter
 GREEN, Ernest Swinfen
 DAVIES, David Herbert Mervyn

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26th January

JONES, Arthur David Nicholas
 PHILLIPS, Charles Kenyon
 ALEXANDROWICZ, Charles
 GHOSH, Harendra Nath
 DOWNIE, Doris Jean
 NATHAN, Samuel Morris Sidney
 LLOYD, James Monteith
 MEHTA, Narmdashankar Bapalal
 BANERJEE, Purendu

OMOTOSHO, James Olajuyi Bolarinde
 NONYELU, Gilbert Chukudike
 RABAGLIATI, Alexander Bernara
 ASIKA, Odiatu
 MEHTA, Amritlal Girdhar
 NKEMENA, Godfrey Chukueloka
 SINGH, Ajeet
 SCOTT, Victor Lawrence Stanilaus
 BLEWITT, Mary
 SOESAN, Joseph Maurice
 FERIDUN, Oktay
 VAIDYA, Champaklal Chandulal
 DZIUBINSKI, Jerzy Antoni Marian
 GRANT, Victor Bert
 GARFITT, Alan
 NASIR, Jamal Jamil
 KHANNA, Rajendra Nath
 SHERWOOD, Cyril

21st April

SAINSBURY, Wilfred James
 RUTTER, John Cleverdon
 MAY, Michael Adrman Amdmer
 DEAN, Charles Raymond
 PANTO, Philip
 POLACK, Karl Winston
 RAMPHUL, Droopnath
 SOLOMON-BENENSON, Peter Henry James
 BOULOUX, Villiers Gabriel
 DAVIES, Alfred William Michael
 WARD, John

9th June

CAIRNCROSS, Neil Francis
 HAFFENDEN, Donald George Gordon
 WOOLF, John Moss
 MARKOWE, Morris
 JONES, Reginald Lewis
 GREENE, Richard Geoffrey
 LANGDON-DOWN, Antony Turnbull
 OLIVER, Peter Raymond
 DOLL, Theodore Hullin
 PIERCY, Alma
 PERY, Peter Lyall Sarup
 ROSENBERG, Gustav
 PICKETT, Thomas
 UBANI-UKOMA, Sunday Whemadu
 WHITESTONE, Percy Daniel
 PATEL, Ambalal Bhailabhai
 ISHANI, Gulamhussein Kassam
 VIVEKANANDAN, Doraisamy
 COX, Ralph
 BRAR, Pritam Singh
 BODHALE, Shankar Ramchandra
 PHILP, Catherine Euphemia

ILKAY, Shakir Sidki
 ABOULAFIA, Joseph David
 BRANDON, Karl Roy Barrington
 GOW, Melville John Eaton
 ROBERTS, Edward Dawson
 UDAL, Eric Robin
 YAHIEL, Isac
 KESTER, Samuel Okunade Ayinla
 HAZAN, John Boris Roderick
 MAXWELL, James John
 ELLISON, John Harold
 WALSHE, Peter Francis
 HARVEY, Peter
 SIMMONS, Anthony Isadore
 MAURICE, Spencer Gascoyen
 HURST, Katharine Patricia
 KERR, Michael Robert Emanuel
 FITZGIBBON, Michael Leonard
 DILLON, George Brian Hugh

17th November

ALI, Subhan
 GOONERATNE, Eusebius
 CLEVELAND-STEVENS, William Hubert
 Carnegie
 GAN, Wee Phaik
 KINGSTON, Hubert George
 FAIRBAIRN, Michael James Hallows
 RUSSO, Ernest Manuel
 GRIFFITHS, John Alfred
 DHAR, Hari Mohan
 ESAN, Victor Owolabe
 COHEN, Leonard Harold Lionel
 N'JIE, Pierre Sarr
 MCCARRAHER, David
 PATEL, Dahyabhai Ashabhai
 ROSJI, Evan Christopher Ayotunde
 LAIM, Ahmed
 PARKER, Roger Jocelyn
 SHERIDAN, Lionel Astor
 DUPUCH, Eugene Aubrey Pyfrom
 BORNEO, John Evans
 HOLLANDS, David Cecil
 CHETWOOD, Knightley Wilfred
 MADARIKAN, Charles Olusoje
 RATTANSI, Mohamed Nasser
 ALLSOP, Peter Henry Bruce
 TEMPLETON, James Stanley
 SHARMA, Balder Raj
 HOLDEN, James Milnes
 SACRANIE, Abdul Satter
 WELCOME, George Daniel
 ONUMONU, Joseph Okoroafor
 KENNEDY, Francis Wilson

SHARMA, Shankar Dayal
 DEVAIRAKKAM, Devadason Edwin
 GRUNDY, Edmund Leigh
 DEVASER, Kunden Lal
 WEERAKOON, David
 HENDERSON, Terence Charles
 SIRIWARDENE, Alfred Merryl Fernando
 LOCH, The Hon Spencer Douglas
 PATEL, Natubhai Purshottandas
 PLUMER, Mustafa Fazil
 SODRI, Salomon
 KULKARNI, Gangadhar Babaji
 OSADEBAY, Dennis Chukude
 MAY, Richard Percy
 TOON, Maung Myint
 STEVENS, Charles Crichton Binnie
 PERSAUD, William Rambagan
 JAYASWARDENA, Edmund Walter Perara
 Seneviratne

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26th January

CHUBB, Leslie Charles William
 WOOD, John Kember
 URANTA, Elijah Allswell
 HEMMING, William Arthur
 TAKARIA, Dr Rafiq Ahmed
 VACHHA, Rustom Pheroze
 COOPER, Rustom Sorabji
 FARRELL, Peter Nigel Sherburn
 ADEBIYI, Mrs Adebisi Adepero
 WHIPHAM, Thomas Henry Martin
 JONES, Eric Abdon
 LINCOLN, Anthony Leslie Julian
 GEORGE, Oladipo Rotimi Ibikunle
 PAYN, David Walter
 WOODHOUSE, John Trevor
 TUCKERMAN, Yadin
 BANCROFT, Michael William Newton
 WRIGHT, Robert Anthony Kent
 DAWBARN, Jill Mary
 GOODMAN, Charles
 SINGH, Jaswant
 CREESE, John Lennox
 CASTILLO, Joseph Camillo
 OLIVER, Mrs Mary Chichester
 BAKHTIAR, Yakya
 RANA, Bharatsingh Udatsinhji
 KARPINSKI, Stanislaw Lucjan
 MAJEROWICZ, Aharon
 ECKERSLEY, Basil Stuart
 ANIONWU, Lawrence Odiatu Victor
 ROTH, Martin Joseph

HOPKINSON, John Edmund
 SEMKEN, John Douglas
 PATERSON, Colin
11th May
 MCBAIN, Douglas
 AKINLOYE, Augustus Merdith Adisa
 MURTAZA, Ghulam
 SMITH, James Alfred
 JAYASUNDERA, Ukwatte Acharige
29th June

OHN, Maung
 COHEN, Mozy Abram
 CLAYTON, Harold Verney
 DENISON, John Adrian Lippincott
 UKU, Edward Kanu
 BERRY, Edward Oldham
 DASS, Linha Dev
 TARGET, Brian Arthur Gore
 MASCARENHAS, Victor Martin
 VISANA, Jethabhai Samat
 OWEN, William John
 SANDHU, Gurcharan Singh
 PADMANABHAN, Doraiswamier
 CROWTHER, Stanley
 WARE, Lancelot Lionel
 JENKINS, Albert John
 MALACHTOS, Yannakis Charalambous
 BLACKMORE, Richard Cyril
 DESHMUKH, Dhairyasheel Shahhajirao
 HAINES, Geoffrey Ralph
 LUMSDEN, George Thompson
 HALLETT, Margaret
 ABU-LABAN, Abdul Munim
 CLEVELAND-STEVENS, Robert Victor
 Carnegie
 GRATWICK, Stephen
 ABBUD, Khalil Tuma
 FEILDON, Randle Richard
 MATHEW, John Charles
 ARNOLD, John Irvine Ernest
 RIAZ, Mian Aslam
 HAMILTON, Adrian Walter
 WAINWRIGHT, William Richard
 STAINTON, John David Adam
 PARIKH, Arvind Keshavlal
 CHRISTIE, Richard Hunter
 ADEYEFA, Joshua Adeyemo
 SRIKANTIAH, Liganna
 PICKERING, Joan Tremearne
 ALCANTARA, John Ernest
 MONTGOMERIE, James Kinloch
 VERNON, The Hon John Lawrence
 BECKLEY, Joseph Olawale

NAGEL, Wilhelm
 GOLDEN, Samuel Arthur
 HINGORANNI, Shakuntala
 PHILLIPS, Eric
 JAYAWARDENA, Mahabalage Don Henry
17th November

HUSSAIN, Meera Hussain Ebrahim Gani
 Mohamed Ibrahim Meera
 MUMUNEY, Adkanbi
 GILES, George Henry
 BUTT, Michael William
 FOX, Michael John
 ORSKI, Stanislas
 PENFOLD, Ronald Dean
 TRAVADI, Karsanji
 MUSRY, Nissim George
 DA BREGO, Gordon Sinclair
 MUSTAFA, Abu Tayab Mohammad
 WATSON, Roderick Anthony
 CORKERY, Michael
 KHOBARAGADE, Bhaurai Dewaji
 HUNEIDI, Isa Amin
 BADCOCK, Julian Knighton
 PESHIMAN, Mushir Ahmad
 SCAMELL, Ernest Harold
 TOWER, Herbert George Eric
 PATEL, Jashbhai Chunibhai
 PHILLIPS, Gerald David
 KAMARA, Ismael Byne Taylor
 BASU, Taran Kumar
 BARROW, Errol Walton
 KERRY, Michael James
 MISKIN, James Noel
 KINDELL, Norman Edward
 GRAY, Mary
 JESUDASON, Ernest Selvaratnam
 MOOKHERJEA, Basanta Kumar
 MADHOO, Emmunchul Misseer
 LITAUER, Mieczyslaw
 NOWROJEE, Eruch
 KAYAL, Paresh Nath
 DOLSINGH, Seilochan Dabsie
 VICKERS, David Rein
 GRAHAM, Guy Stackhouse
 SIDHPURA, Shanrilal Bhagwan
 PARNELL, Uriah Nathaniel
 DAVIES, Idris Talog
 CANTIN, Jacques Andre Cyril

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26th January
 DEWHURST, Timothy Littleton
 RASKE, Leo

MANDERSON-JONES, James
 ALLAGO, Ambrose Ezeolisa
 PRAKASH, Anand
 AARONS, Kenneth Alphonso Neil
 WRIGHT, Desmond Garforth
 FRISBY, Roger Harry Kilbourne
 POTTER, Maurice Alexis Rupert
 MORGAN, Eric Wilfred
 QASIM, Anis Mustafa
 BRAHMABHATT, Rasiklal Chunilal
 DRAKE, Frederick Maurice
 SMILG, Joseph
 LINKLATER, Peter Stronach
 GRAHAM, Peter Donald
 JAMADAR, Yussuf
 MENDIS, Walter Mahinda
 PAYNE, Douglas James
 CHHAJED, Sampatkumar Ghevarchand
 DAPHTARY, Anil Chandra
 GHULAMALI, Sajjadali
 CHEUNG, Oswald Victor
 LITTLETON, John Ely
 WOODRUFF, Allen Marvin
 ROBERTS, Denys Tudor Emil
 HAURANI, Hanna Iskandar
 SAYANI, Nsorali Rashid Dewje
 AKINTOLA, Samuel Ladoke
 KANTHARATHINAM, Murugesu
 DOSSA, Sharbuddin Noormohamed
 THEIN, Maung Tin
 TU'BI, Hatim Sharif
 GEORGE, Charles Frederick
 OKUSAGA, Daniel Ayodele Okuniyi
 NORMAN, William Beadon
 AMIN, Chimanbhai Desaiibhai
 MBAFEND, Alexander Okwudi
 GATEHOUSE, Robert Alexander
 PATIL, Pandurang Tukaram
 BOND, Martin Garneys
 ASTHANA, Bankey Behari
 OGDEN, Edward Michael
 YU, Shuk Sui
 LABROOY, Eric Charles Theodore
 ABEL-SMITH, Lionel
 WARNER, John Peter Frank Eugene
 BISKE, Victor
 SUNNUCKS, James Horace George
 SMITH, John Cyril
 EGWUATU, Rita Sheila
 BACH, Gert Gabriel
 OGDEN, Agnes Ruth
 ROFE, John Arthur David
 HENWOOD, Francis William

RIMMER, John Gray Milne
 ADEFARASIN, Joseph Adetunji
 FURNEAUX, Marivere Wallace
 PATERSON, James Alexander
 JACOBSON, Daniel Yehuda

3rd May

DANIEL, Alan Evan
 BAKER, Paul Vivian
 RAZAK, Bin Dato Hussain Abdul
 CHITTICK, Herbert Neville
 ROBSON, Douglas Howard Spottiswoode
 HOUSTON, Frederick Morton
 DUNCAN, Ronald Francis Hamilton
 Anson

21st June

BANERJEE, Narindra Nath
 BALCOMBE, Alfred John
 MITCHELL-HEGGS, Maurice
 MARGOLIN, Theodor
 MASON, Albert George Turner
 KIRK, Kathleen
 HALLINAN, Adrian Lincoln Stuart
 ORR, John Goldie
 SHARPE, John Raymond
 CHRISTOU, Tasos
 AMIRTHALINGAM, Sinniah
 MOREY, Hilda Joan
 WOOLLATT, Alan Charles
 MANE, Mahader Ganpat
 COHEN, Eliahu Toussia
 ELDRIDGE, Mary Helen
 BRIEGEL, Geoffrey Michael Oliver
 BAETA, Annie Ruth
 STOTT, Lucy Gaynor
 HAMID, Mohamed Abdul
 WILLIAMS, Idris David Glynn
 O'KELLY, Desmond Lawrence Fitzgerald
 CLERIDES, Pheobus Nearchou
 EVANS, Michael David Thompson
 MYERSON, Aubrey Selwyn
 BATTOCK, Frank Hilary
 SURYAVANSHI, Yeshwant Rao Baburao
 SAPPER, Lawrence Joseph
 MELLOR, Kenneth Samuel Wilson
 KAHN, Chain
 FRANCO, Nissim
 DAVIES, Sidney Gerald
 ROWLAND, Deborah Molly
 LAWSON-TANCREDE, Christopher
 HERMON, Rex Kenneth
 STUART, Hazel Mary
 MAGUIRE, Stanley Latimer
 OGUNBANJO, Christopher Oladipo

McGraw, John
 ALLARDICE, William Arthur Llewellyn
 CHONG, Kim Yin
 HASID, Gideon
 SKINNER, Henry Albert
 EKERUCKE, Eliab Adirike
 IMBUSCH, Joan Valerie

17th November

COYNE, James Elliott
 LAL, Sunder
 HOWELLS, William Thomas
 DE SOUZA, Fitzual Remedios Santana
 Neville
 GHULAMALI, Sajjadali
 JOHNSON, David Hugh Nevil
 TEELUCKSINGH, Sheila Mary
 GILBERT, Robert Greenway
 SEN, Ajit Kumar
 MOLLART, Robert Douglas
 MACNAUGHTAN, John
 JOSHI, Harshadrai Kashiram
 KHAN, Ahmad Zaman
 SULEYMAN, Umit
 PALAN, Dungershi Rattansey
 BUTCHER, Richard James
 KADAM, Mansing Balavant
 KEATING, Donald Norman
 GRAHAM, George Boughan
 MARTYN, Peter Lyshon
 MALLARD, Derek Blaise
 MARCHANT, Faredoon Edulji
 COLE, Lorna
 WRIGHTSON, Oliver
 OKI, Tajudeen Abioyene Bankole
 MARTYN, James Gilbert

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26th January

SELF, Hugh Michael
 TELLIS, Stan Alex
 MOHAMMADI, Ramzan Ayyub
 NWOSU, Dominic Onyinak
 PATEL, Dahyabhai Bhajibhai
 MCKINNEY, Sheila Mary Deirdre
 UVAIS, Abdul Caffour Marikar
 Mohamad
 HORRES, Kathleen Elizabeth
 DAVIDOVICI, Jacob
 LI, Simon Fook Sean
 COLE, Ezekiel Akinola
 SEBAG-MONTIFIORE, Harold Henry
 BABER, Ernest George
 JONES, Betty Elaine Maud

GREWAL, Pritam Singh
 KAMBLE, Bapusaheb Dryandeo
 THAKKAR, Yogeendra Maganlal
 CONDIE, Isabelle Browning
 MACHIN, Edward Anthony
 SIDEY, Hugh Richard
 BOR, Ellis
 MAYSON, Christopher Fox
 SINCLAIR, Robert Charles
 ADEWALE, Ishaw Adio Sanni
 KEITH, Trevor
 HENRIQUES, Arthur Lyttleton George
 LEE, Ah Seong
 HICHENS, Jacobine Napier
 AYNİ, Ismael Veisi
 WOOLLEY, Roy Gilbert
 PARASNAVIS, Jagannath Ramachandra
 LESSMAN, David
 MARSHI, Emile Jabra
 BALOGUN, Joseph Kolawole
 BRADDON, Reginald Holyoak
 MARSH, Owen Dustin
 YEOP, Abdul Aziz Bin
 PATEL, Raojibhai Dahyabhai

18th April

TAYLERSON, Anthony William Finlay
 BURN, Edward Hector
 SAYWELL, John Evan
 ROBERTS, Douglas Lewis
 BHONSLE, Babasahib Anantrao

6th June

HOYLE, Frederick George
 WATSON-TAYLOR, Cyril Evelyn
 LAWRENCE, Duncan William Oxley
 SEELEY, Edward Alexander
 RICHARDSON, Henry Anthony
 KOEFFREH, Esien
 NEILL, Stanley Francis Mundy
 O'NEIL, Edward Albert Vaughan
 PERERA, Donovan Melville Gregory
 PATEL, Baloobhai Naranji
 KUMARAKULASINGHE, Gunaratnam Barr
 AKIWUMI, Akilano Molade
 WESTON, Charles Aubrey
 MOULLAN, Cassam Ismael
 WALSH, John Pakenham
 AGBAKOBA, Godfrey Charles Ukaka
 DHOLAKIA, Bhaichand Dullabhaji
 WATTS, Wilfred Walter
 ADEKUNLE, Mofolorunso
 PATIL, Gundu Dashnath
 BROOKES, John Philip
 CORBLE, Stephan Archibald Nicholas

AWAD, Abdul Halim Khalil
 MORIARTY, Gerald Evelyn
 POTTER, Felicite
 SWAN, Thomas Hugh Winfield
 GRANT, Patrick Joseph
 SHIRLEY, David Andrew
 LENFESTY, Edmund John Thomas
 PIPPET, Kingston Gerald
 KODHEK, Chiedo More Gom Agwink
 OKELL, George John
 COLES, Patricia Galloway
 SHARMA, Bholan Narendranath Persad
 DUCKWORTH, John
 ANDREWS, Christopher James Parkes
 FITZGERALD, Patrick John
 SACHDEVA, Om Parkash
 HSIEH, Robert Shao-An
 STEEL, Henry
 McEVOY, James Francis
 LEES, Charles Norman
 PERKINS, Horace Edward
 SOLANKE, Felix Mobolaji
 FASINRO, Hassan Adisa Babatunde
 ODUNLAMI, Theophilus Olufemi
 PICKFORD, Anthony James

27th November

HOOPER, John Desmond Glass
 WILKIN, Aubrey Edmond Vincent
 ODESANYA, Michael Adeyinka
 ODUMOSU, Amos Odubanjio
 IBBOTSON, Stanley
 OSWALD, Reavley
 CUMELLA, Mary Agnes
 MUNASINHA, Charles Victor Cornelius
 ANTON, Reginald James Herbert
 BLEASDALE, Denis Victor
 STRAUSS, Herman
 RAE, Alan Fitzroy
 WILLIAMS, William Thomas
 PALUCH, Bronislaw Walerian
 MILNER, George
 MARRINAN, Patrick Aloysius
 HOLLOWAY, Harold
 YEOH, Ah Seng
 TEJAN-SIE, Banja
 SWISLOCKI, Julius
 SHEBBEARE, John Digby
 DABIT, Sulaiman Yusuf
 HASAN, Amin Muhammad
 CROWTHER, Eric John Ronald
 ISIKALU, Abayomi Abida Ademola
 KHAN, Metab Ansari Saadullah Alberuni
 KONDASKAR, Shantaram Vithal

HILL, Laurence Gregory
 WILKINSON, Sydney Thomas Kevin
 WALTER, Harold Edward
 OGUNMUYIWA, Francis Albert Sodolamu
 HASHHEM, Hisham Rif'at
 KALLE, Robert Modeste
 TATHAM, John Berisford
 HANNOUSH, Makram Said
 KOTUN, Kasali Aremu
 KHER, Sunit Bal
 JOHNSON, Candide Ademola
 KANAGASAPATHY, Chinniah
 JAIKARAN, John Sanjay
 DAVE, Rameshchandra Labhshanker
 ALCINDOR, Francis
 SMITH, Peter Albert
 TEWARI, Madan Mohan
 RAYNER, Leslie

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5th February

MORGAN, William Idris
 COOMBS, Douglas Harlow
 ABDULLAH, The Dewanzadah Iskander
 Sohrab Khan
 MOOKERJEE, Monotesh
 GRAZEBROOK, Donald McDonald Durley
 FREELAND, John Redvers
 KARAMAN, Yacoub Sabi
 PETRE, Francis Herbert Loraine
 JOOF, George St Clair
 PATEL, Jayantkumar Bhailabhai
 HURWITZ, Vivian Ronald
 NAIN, Shamsudin Bin
 MEHTA, Jimmy P
 BRAYDEN, Denis William Hampden
 MONNAS, Athanasios Anargyros
 COLLYMORE, Carl Launcelot
 RICE, Dennis George
 JOHNSTON, William Greenbank
 ELIAS, Eli Murad
 HONORE, Anthony Maurice
 OWUSU, Victor
 KAWAR, Tawfiq Amin
 CAPSTICK, Brian Eric
 BOOLELL, Satcam
 ALI, Mohammad Shaukat
 IBBS, John Robin
 HAMER-HARRIES, John Royston
 BLAKER, Peter Allan Renshaw
 WARD, John Arthur
 ADEOBA, Ademola Adekunle
 WATKINS, Peter William

GALLIFORD, Leslie Bertram
 LOPEZ, Ronald Giles
 WEERASINGHE, Gunawansa Dayaratne
 Chandrasoma
 EBOH, Jemonu Omiogberai
 KANJI, Akbarali G
 EMEJULU, Luke Michael Egbunike
 ZIEGEL, Salo Jacob

13th May

HASSAN, Ali Bin
 ADAMS, Franklyn Cunningham
 BAGWAN, Babu Ahmed

1st July

REES, Florence Violet
 DRUCKER, Alfred
 PUGH, Cyril James Cunliffe
 DALY, Vincent
 CHRISTIE, Eric William Hunter
 BARRETT, Vernon Astor
 SHITTA, Abdul Rahimi
 IDELSON, Robert Francis
 DUNCAN, Ignatius Irvin
 NWUFO-ACHIKE, Lawrence
 COHEN, Fred Abraham
 AJIBOLA, John Osoyemi
 AZIS, Osman Abdul
 TAYLOR-CARROLL, Athena Robina
 DRUMMOND, Maurice James David
 THOMPSON, Thomas Lionel Tennyson
 VENCHARD, Louis Edwin
 KRAICHITTI, Sansern
 DENISON, William Neil
 RAJAH, Mrs Mercy Jeyarane
 KARSON, Noordin Zaver
 ABBASSI, Faruq Muhammad
 SARKAR, Chanchal
 SHARMA, Devendra Kumar
 BARTON, John Latimer
 SHARMA, Roopnarih Krishnanath Persad
 NALLIAH, Raja Ram
 NASSER, Sakina Fazel
 VINCENT-SMITH, Charles
 CHOCHAN, Kantilal Karsandas
 ITA, Effiom Eyo
 NAZERALI, Abdul
 KESHRIKER, Hemant Balkrishna
 DEVSHI, Veljee
 CHADD, Paul
 GAWITH, Richard Lake
 ARNOLD, Roxane Beatrice
 CANNAR, Kenneth Stewart
 PRICE, John Ronald Bevan
 FOX, Jeremy Dacre

TALIB, Abdul Kadir Bin
 DAVIS, Jack
 OMO, Uchemefuna
 BANERJEE, Mathue Nath
 JAYADEVA, Arumugam
 CHAGLA, Shaukatali Currimbhoy
 AMIN, Shaikh Mohamed
 PATEL, Chandubhai Doongarbhai
 PEDLAR, Samuel James
 NWOKEDI, Francis Omelonge
 Christopher
 HANSON, Derrick George
 DAVIS, James Joseph
 ANYAEGBUNAM, Frederick Okwudi
 WESTOLL, James
 BANKS, Norman Dinsdale
 SHAH, Ramanlal Jivanlal
 CRAIG, Ebenezer Babasanya
 CUMMING, Alexander Henry Crawley
 PANCHAL, Manibhai Arntharam
 OBASEKI, Andrew Otutu
 TODD, Eric Clifford Edward
 COKER, Dahunsi Olugbemi
 MOORE, Rowland Peter
 SISCHY, Benzion
 BAKRANIA, Tribhuvam Gordhan
 TROUP, Alistair Mewburn
 BAKARE, Abdul Raheem
 AHUJA, Vidya Sagra
 AGUDA, Timothy Akinola
 STERN, David Aaron
 GUNAWARDENE, Don James Rajakaruna

25th November

REYNOLDS, Christopher John
 Loughborough
 NEOGY, Arunendra
 BANNERMAN, Henry Peter Lankai
 JAYATILAKA, Asoka Ranjit
 FRANCIS, Ewart William Emanuel
 WALWYN, Eugene Eustace
 JEYARATNAM, Vellupilla
 LATHAM, Margaret Valantine
 SOMASUNDRAM, Juenesse Lilawalhi
 DE SILVA, Hethumuni Ananda Gunasena
 GUNN, Chit Wha
 ROMER, Mark Lemon Robert
 HORN, Timothy Walter
 PABARY, Mohanlal Ranchoddas
 EDWARDS, Michael John
 AKINGBEHIN, Modupe Oladunni
 EKPE, Cyril Eziefule
 GUNN, Chit Tuan
 THOMAS, John Omololu

LYONS, Edward
 KARUNAIRETNAM, Tharmalingam
 AMORDHAT, Manit
 WALE, Shivaputra Apparaya
 GIBB, Peter Alan
 EARL, Julian Romer
 SINGH, Chandra Pal
 INAMDAR, Indravadan Tribhovandas
 MILLER, Brian Arnold
 DWYER, Christopher
 STOUTZKER, Solomon
 SANDHU, Harbhajan Singh
 GLASS, Anthony Geoffrey
 WEST, Michael Charles
 ABUAH, Alfred Chukwuemeka
 PYNE, Rabindra Nath
 BARNARD, Ronald Leslie
 HILL, John Kemmis
 GRODECKI, Janusz Kazimierz
 VLASSOPULOS, Antony John
 DAVIES, Frederick
 ANTONIOU, Antonios Kyriacou
 GAJI, Rauph Omobolaji
 SILVERA, Noel Percival
 VYAS, Banshi Lal
 HUANG, Yang Choo
 MAUNG, Maung
 OGUNKEYE, Samuel Adetunji
 BUNTON, John
 O'BEIRNE, Cornelius Banahan

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10th February

WAAL, Constant Hendrick de
 DEAN, Kamalud
 ROHMAN, Shaikh Muhammad Saider
 FRANCIS, Maurice Edward
 BUNN, Douglas Henry David
 HUAZI, Ahmad Muhammad
 GEACH, Lilian Elma
 SMITH, Kenneth George
 LEVETT-YEATS, Dennis William
 CLARK, John Bryan
 HICKMET, Ayhan Mustafa
 FOO, Chee Tung
 BOWKER, Ronald James
 OLAGBAJU, Daniel Elusanmi
 QARI, Rabia Sultan
 ALEEM, Muhammad Abdul
 LUMB, Vincent Roy
 FORREST, William Munro
 LODDE, Anthony Laurie
 MARTINS, Akinyele

ANTHONY, David
 PAYNE, Trevor Ian
 HITCHCOCK, Michael Aldous North
 SINGH, Pirthipal
 GRIFFITHS, Islwyn Owen
 JONES, Gloria Jonie
 EKINEH, Aliyi Sunjuye
 HALL, Neville Brian
 RAMSAHOYE, Fenton Harcourt Wilworth
 FOSTER, Robert Walter
 KAZEEM, Boonyamin Oladiran
 NOUEL, Philippe
 SMITH, Peter Vivian Henworth
 HUNTER, John
 MOLAJO, Emanuel Adetunji
 ALI, Mohamed Din bin
 VORA, Mugatlat Ottamchand

5th May

PATIL, Pandurang Ganapati
 MAUDSLEY, Ronald Harling
 SAMNAKAY, Abdul Rauf Muhammed
 BROTHERTON, Christopher Hugh
 NADKARNI, Balmukund Bhalchandra
 BUCKLEY, James Coward Serle
 BROWNE-WILKINSON, Nicolas
 Christopher Henry

ADDEY, John Francis William
 OKADIGBO, Benedict Obiesie

23rd June

BELL, Ernest John William
 FEILING, Geoffrey Severin Anthony
 McMASTER, Stanley Raymond
 OKEREKE, Daniel Ernest
 PATEL, Jayanilal Chunibhai
 BARRY, George Alexander
 PARAMJOTHY, Chelliah
 DODSON, Douglas Geoffrey
 JESSEL, Robin Richard
 CRAWFORD, Peter John
 SANG, Ena Blanche Lue
 AHMED, Abdullah Malleck
 TIRU-CHELVAM, Gabriel Reginald
 SINGH, Awtar
 REID, George Albert
 CARMAN, George Alfred
 KAPILA, Kanta
 AJAYI, Festus Adebisi
 JAFFERJEE, Mohamedally Ibrahim
 HUSAIN, Ijaz
 QURASHI, Mohammed Moazzam
 SHAH, Chandulal Hiralal
 BRADBURY, John Arthur
 KURIAN, Punnattu Kurain

HANDA, Manmohan Lal
 BENTLEY, John Graham
 LEE, En Kuo
 SHORT, Joseph Benedict
 ENGLEHARD, Max
 MOSS, Charles Horace
 MADAN, Madan Mohan
 MEHMED, Raghib
 RAHIM, Bashir Hassanali
 MOWBRAY, William John
 MAINI, Krishan Dev
 WATTS, Mavis Deta
 KEERTHISINGHE, Hikkaduwege Charles
 BAXTER, Ian Francis George
 PATEL, Rameshbhai Haribhai
 ZIA-UL-HAQUE, Reta
 HODGKINSON, Betty Elaine
 PETTERSON, Norman Buchanan
 KNOX, John Leonard
 PANIGRAHI, Madhusudan
 BHUTTO, Zulfikar Ali
 BURT, Arthur Norman
 AKBAR, Mian Mohammed

24th November

GHOSH, Pratul Krishna
 DEWAR, Archibald David
 LAKHIA, Rajanikant Natverlal
 AGUTA, Richard Uwa
 MIRAMS, John Edward
 VIRJI, Shankat Abdulrasul
 O'DOWD, Roger John
 SUBHAN, Quazi Mohammad Mohbus
 BHOJANI, Abdulrahim Abdulla Jivraj
 WILLIAMS, Maurice James
 ENGLE, George Lawrence Jose
 RAIT, David Logan
 MAINI, Krishan Naith
 PICKERING, Richard Edward Ingram
 WHALLEY, James Bertram
 IYER, Sivaram Narayana
 PELIDES, Nicolaos Christou
 PARRISH, Margaret Rosemary Kay
 WILSON, Andrew Bengt McCulloch
 SHASTRI, Madhukumar Manishankar
 CHIFTCHIOGHLOU, Ayhan Mehmed
 BICKFORD-SMITH, Anne Rosemary
 ONYEAGOCHA, Sylvester Nwaku Osuji
 YONG, Stephen Kuet Tye
 DREYFUS, Dominique Francois
 GUPTA, Prabhakar Somnath
 BANERJI, Milon Kumar
 DARWIN, Henry Galton
 MANSON, William Alastair Leslie

PATEL, Mohanlal Kanjibhai
 LOMAS, Herbert Harold
 KAREKAR, Pandurang Nagorao
 AJIBOLA, Andrew Adelekan
 HEATH, Christopher George
 KAKAD, Jayantilal Nanji
 REDRUP, Roy Earle
 AKIN-OLUGBADE, Olu Babatunde
 KAHN, Juma
 FINESTEIN, Israel
 MASON, George Cuff

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9th February

HARDING, Rowland Eugene Alexander
 ALLI-BALOGUN, Alade
 COKER, Emanuel Oladipo
 HENRY, Kenneth Charles St Leger
 HAMM, Roderick Norman Lewis
 PATEL, Purushottam Tribhavadandas
 SINGH, Buddh Singh Kahar
 MORRISON, William Arthur
 FERNANDO, Karuwage Thompson
 Patrick
 YIP-TONG, Chan Khin Lin
 DE VOS, Anthony Frederick James
 GROVES, Joyce Eulalie
 HOSSACK, George
 INAMDAR, Subodh Tribhovandas
 BANDARANAYAKE, Shelley Lakshman
 Dias
 GANNE, Marie Elisabeth
 STOCK, Friederick
 THAKORE, Motsinh Bahadursinh
 ANYADUBA, James Chukuma
 THATCHER, Margaret Hilda
 WESTON, Geoffrey Lee
 COKER, Akitoye Akinbowale
 SCHROFF, Manu Ratilal
 WONG, Cyril Hong Siang
 TOTOE, Thomas Asamoah
 BROMLEY, Leonard John
 HUDSON, Anthony Hugh
 KHAN, Mohammed Humayun
 ONAGORUWA, Gilbert Ayodele
 MACMURRAY, Mary Bell Macmillan
 LEE, Shoo Khoon
 SACHDEVA, Surrinder Kumar
 ASHTON, Roy
 CHOJO, Mamode Haniff
 MUNROE, Huntley Eugene Aloysius
 JAMADAR, Vernon Alexander
 GODFREY, Aepha

CHAPMAN, Stanley John
 LEE, Kok Lian
 REGAN, Ram Lochan
 SOFALA, Kehinde
 ANYAH, Kalu Okpan
 SINGH, Vijay Raqhubar
 WILSON, David
 BARTLE, Ronald David
 KUBEINJE, Maclean Okoro

18th May

ABU-GHAZALEH, Daud
 ASHWORTH, Thomas Holmes Evelyn
 Battersby
 FILOSE, Gerald Nicholas
 PERSADSINGH, Ranjit Lutchmie
 RODGER, Patricia Thompson
 PUNTER, Deirdre Anne
 RAFTOPOULOS, Dimitri
 PUPLAMPU, Andrews Kwabla
 MORAES, Custodio Salvador
 ATAKE, Franklin Oritsemueyiwa
 BECKMAN, Michael
 KING, Joseph Arthur
 JOHAR, Tilak Raj
 DAVIS, Eric George
 JUGNAUTH, Anirood
 DELANY, Vincent Thomas Hyginus

6th July

POCHEE, Ebrahim Ahmad
 UDA, Raja Kamarudin Bin Raja
 PAI, Nath Bapu
 MOSKOVIC, Ernst
 DAVIES, Donald Alfred
 DOXEY, George Victor
 GIBBON, Michael
 HARRIS, Francis William
 HAMMOND, Edward Christopher Barlow
 EKPUNOBI, Christian Chukunweike
 ANNS, Bryan Herbert
 SALIK, Abul Majid
 MILLS, Ronald James
 GEORGALLIS, Savvas Andreou
 OGUNBIYI, Joseph Olatunji
 ESCOTT COX, Brian Robert
 OBILEYE, Adesina Olanrewaju
 ASHCROFT, Maurice
 HARMAN, Jeremiah Leroy
 HAMMOND, Neils Jonas Dowuona
 CHOO, Choong Siew
 ODEKU, Julius Adeola
 AKISANYA, Afolabi Adesokan
 TUCKER, Richard Howard
 TOWNER, Anthony Roland Albert

DIEL, Coles Raymond
 PATEL, Madhu Haribhai
 GADGIL, Vitthal Narhar
 THOMPSON, Kenneth Archibald
 WILLIAMS, Hugh Raby
 SCHOFIELD, Peter John
 GHURYE, Kumud Govind
 ISHANI, Amarali Kassam
 GAWITH, Stephen Lake
 CARRUTHERS, William Butterick
 BAKSI, Nagendrabhusan
 ALAGAPPAN, Chidambaram
 MARCUS, Betty
 HASSUM, Al Noor
 NAGPAL, Om Parkash
 SEEPERSAD, Hugh Reginald
 RAHMAN, Kafeezur
 LEADER, Peter George Frederick
 SIONG, Lee Yew
 FFLETCHER, Philip Humphrey
 ABUDU, Salui Okunola Otupa
 SINGH, Nahar
 REEDAY, Thomas Geoffrey
 WAGSTAFF, David St John Rivers
 FAJEMISIN, Christopher Adeyeye
 ABANGWU, Charles Aniweta
 ROBSON, Alan William
 KURSHID, Khushid Hasan
 DAVEY, Geoffrey Wallace
 NADESAN, Somasundaram

23rd November

WIJEGOONEWARDANE, Atukoralage
 Dharmadasa Dayananda Ranapala
 OTU, Otu Bassey
 BISWAS, Manoranjan
 DOSHI, Chandrakant Ratilal
 OHENE-ANOBAH, Edward Kofi
 ANTONIOU, Marios Andrew
 GHADIALY, Amritlal Tulsidas Dharamshi
 TAYLOR, Alfred Edmund
 SUMAWONG, Pricha
 RASHID, Pawan Ahmad Bin Ibrahim
 GODFREY, Gerald Michael
 ESO, Samuel Obakayode
 SAMPANTHAR, Sinnathuray Thirugnana
 PATEL, Vinrod Rai
 HUA, Ong Kok
 JAGTAP, Kantilal Nathur
 SHAH, Raja Azlan
 PANDIT, Baburao Balkrishna
 HOPE, Joseph Ronald Gabriel
 LEACH, Eileen
 POH, Joachim Chia Yeck

PLAYER, Raymond Francis
 LUXTON, Michael Barry
 INKO-TARIAH, Opubo
 CAPLAN, Gerald Joseph
 KHAN, Mohamed Samin Uddin
 MAVROMMATIS, Andreas Vladimriou
 PATEL, Kanubhai Kashibhai
 HUSSAIN, Syed Mohib
 GLOVER, Myles Howard
 ANJARWALLA, Saifuddin Karimbhai
 BORAH, Golaknath
 ADEKUNBI, Francis Oluwole
 CARMICHAEL, Iain Rutherford
 WONG, Sai Heng
 HIRA, John Bulchand
 GREENBURGH, Edna Patricia
 CHIANG, Tan Boon
 ROY, Nitai Das
 CHAN, Kim Chye
 YOON, Chan Seong
 GOLDSTONE, Heather Gillian
 PERMANAND, Owad Ramnarayan
 SEN, Mirhim Kumar
 WICKRAMANAYAKE, Chetiyaratne
 TAMBE, Hamid Ameen
 SIDHU, Ganda Tara Singh
 WONG, Tan Hee
 CRACKNELL, Frederick Graham
 HINES, Robert Henry
 REDDY, Addula Seeta Ram
 SOWEMIMO, Sogunle Akintoye
 SAIED, Mohammed
 BAKR, Khandker Abu
 FAROOQ, Abdul Karim
 TANNA, Ratilal Dassabhai
 SOBAWALE, Josiah Bandele
 COHEN, Nathan Leslie

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8th February

NDUBA-IBEGBU, Edward Aniweta
 MICKLEM, Nathaniel
 FAUELLE, Michael Henry
 JONES, Gareth Hwyl
 KELLY, Miss Vera Elizabeth
 CLARE, Aston George Napier
 SADRI, Abbas Ali
 MUKHI, Jai Mangharam
 COCKS, Edward John
 HALE, Commander Mathew Blagden
 BOOTH, John Edwin Piercy
 OBIAMIWE, Gregory Obiesie
 ARORA, Radha Krishnan

PILLAY, Mrs Laure
 MERCHANT, Ismael Abdul Karim
 JONES, Eric Arthur
 GWOK, Ai-Lin Hwei (Quek)
 PATEL, Gopal Shivabhai
 AWOGBORO, Prince Alfred Olasupo
 GILL, Karmindar Singh
 KENWORTHY-BROWNE, Bernard Peter
 Francis

OYESANYA, Oyenuyi Arolabu
 PIERCE, Hugh Humphrey
 CHEUNG, Chan Sai
 MANDIA, Sewa Singh
 ROGERS, John Willis
 TAN, Seow Kiew
 GHALIA, Sidik Sumar
 YAT, Khong Kok
 ONYEKWERE, Benson Nwosu
 UKOT, Akpanika Mkpatt
 JAPANWALLA, Abid Taher
 CHAUDHURI, Jitendra Nath
 ANTULAY, Abdur Rahman Abdul
 Gafoor

BENTLEY, Karin Juliet Bridget
 MAJARO, Shimmon
 FAGBEMI, Ishmael Afolabi
 OYERO, Adekunle Ayinla
 SAHER, Purvezji Jamshedji
 SANGHVII, Arvind Hargovinddas
 GLOVER, John Talbot
 FAGBOLA, Theophilus Agboola
 JACK, Hubert Oliver
 QUIE, Ronald Desmond
 AMARTEIFIO, Festus Nee
 PHILLIPS, Katherine Diana
 BESSON, Herman Alexander
 TEH, Wan Suleiman Bin Pawan
 AKERELE, Mrs Martinha Efunyemi
 GUPTA, Surendra Somnath
 YUSOF, Abdul Kadir Bin
 SHIVAPRASAD, Lakshmidatta
 THAKKAR, Kunjavihari Chhotalal
 WILKIE, Wylie Beresford
 CHAKRAVERTY, Sunil Kumar
 MODI, Chandrakant Jamnadas
 EMEBOLU, Joseph Ifeatu

10th May

WARD, Simon Roderick
 WEBB, John Victor Duncombe
 POWER, Richard Herbert Guy
 PARAMALINGAM, Kandiah
 SINHA, Bhagwati Prasad
 OWODUNNI, Mosuidi Olatunde

DUVAL, Charles Gaetan
 BARDAY, Jaffer Ahamed
 GUPTA, Dipankar Prasad
 AMIN, Anand Narsinhbhai

28th June

JORDAN, Anthony Bowen
 WILLIAMS, Ronald Hendriks
 FORSYTH, Raymond Bruce
 THOMAS, Ann Pamela
 OSMAN, Abdool Hak Mahomed
 HIRTZ, Herbert Joseph
 COOMARASWAMY, Arichandra Motilal
 CHAN, Hoh Kiang
 PEARCE, Richard Bruce Holroyd
 ROBOTHAM, Lascelles Lister
 SUBHAN, Jameer Ali
 NAUTH, Beale Rainey
 TAGGART, Anthony Francis
 AMISSAH, Austin Neeabeohe Evans
 CHAWLA, Shanti Lall
 UWEMEDIMO, Vincent Daniel
 HEIM, Paul Emil
 RAHIMTOOLA, Mahmood Abdulla
 WINAYAK, Jaitendar Kumar
 TALALLA, Richard
 GOPAL, Jagdish Singh
 MALCOLM, Victor Osmond
 ARCHER, John Basil Richard Thomas
 KOTADIA, Gulamhussein Allibhai
 MCLAGGAN, Murray Adams
 NEWMAN, Hetty
 CLARKSON, Liet. Cmdr. Robert Anthony
 CHOON, Ong Tiang
 CHOWDHARY, Sher Mohammed
 DOHERTY, Prince Edward Bankole
 HIRA, Rustam Moti
 BEZBARUAH, Kiron Chandra
 WARD, Martyn Eric
 O'BRIEN, Brian Murrough Fergus
 TECK, Robert Chee Tiang
 CHATTERJEE, Namita
 SOREMEKUN, David Olanipekun Oluremi
 JOSEPH, Edgar
 CHOWDHURY, Abdur Razzaq
 Mohammed Amirul Islam
 SHAH, Ghulam Safdar
 MACDONALD, John Reginald
 SAMEJA, Omar Mohammed
 GAMA-ROSE, Mirabeau Humberto da
 BASAK, Binial Chandra
 HAIDERMOTA, Abdullhusen
 Mohammadbhoy
 ABRAHAM, John Owen

FINCH, Vivien Gloria
 MAITRA, Kali Kanta
 DAVIES, Arthur Gordan
 FRANCIS, Laurel Brenton
 MILKY, Salimul Huq Khan
 HOWELLS, Deryk William
 MAHANTY, Ranjit
 MOHAN, Gopala Krishna Mano
 SHAH, Vipin Shantilal
 ESMAIL, Mrs Shirin Abdullah Kassam
 OKANDEJI, Iroliki
 ADEJONWO, Abass Adedipupo
 SINGH, Triptipal
 DABEE, Premchandra
 TEWATIA, Debi Singh
 OKOYE, Alfred Obi

22nd November

VYAS, Manibhai Parushottam
 NIELSEN, Peter Edward
 LOWO, David Emanuel Olumide
 MAKERJI, Deba Prasanna
 MAKHAN, James Ramadath
 CLARK-MAXWELL, John Michael Collet
 AHMAN, Moasam Nabie Baksh
 INGRAM, Sydney Alexander
 KHAN, Shaikat Ali
 HORN, Lucian
 BENADY, Pamela
 AFZAL, Mohammad
 SHONUKAN, Cadmus Olufemi
 WHITE, William Walford
 SMITHERS, David Leonard
 AKANDE, Yusuf Latunji
 CHOWDHURY, Badrul Haider
 CHAUDHURY, Abdul Muntaquin
 RAHMAN, Mahommad Faridur
 MUKHOPADHYAY, Satyabrata
 PALING, Helen Elizabeth
 ONASHILE, Folarin
 CHAKRAVARTY, Sasadhar
 SEWGOBIND, Ramawad
 BROOKS, Valerie Elizabeth Stanley
 SIDPRA, Nalini Damji
 ABBASI, Abbasali Ibrahim
 OMAR, Abdul Hamid bin
 HANIF, Mohummad
 DAWOODBHAI, Hatim Moosajee
 BAGLEY, Philip William
 ROCHE, George Alexander
 YEOH, Kian Teik
 IKE, Clement Okereke
 BIDJIKIAN, Albert Mikran
 GANDHI, Jawahir Motilal

ISMAIL, Mohamed Zahir bin
 KHOJA, Ali Mohammed Hassonbhoy
 SEAH, George Kim Seng
 NOOR, Abdul Rahim
 NASIR, Mamman
 BELLO, Mohammed
 ODUBANJO, Delphus Adebayo
 POTTS, Francis Humphrey
 RAJANI, Shashikant Haridas
 AKINYEMI, Richard Akinsola
 IKWECHEGH, Abai Obbaya
 DE BASTO, Gerald Arthur

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7th February

MEYNELL, (Dame Alix), D.B.E.
 (admitted as Alex Kilroy)
 FRANK, Anna Maria
 COE, William Richard John
 LUQMAN, Mahmood Ali Ibrahim
 KANAKARATNAM, Manikkavasakan
 KAPADIA, Babulal Lalji
 CORBETT, Catherine Russell
 OJOSIPE, Josiah Oladipo
 COOMARASWAMY, Punchardsheram
 ADENIRAN, Adedapo Aderibigbe
 HUGHES, Meredydd Glyn
 LEE, Hun Hoe
 FAIZULLABHOY, Esmail Hyderbhoy
 KHAN, Mohammad Rahman Ali
 OWUSU, Charles Asare
 BONNEY, John Dennis
 SINGH, Mota
 OGUAGHA, Christopher Nwafor
 KASSAM, Abdul Sultan Gualamhussein
 SHAIKH, Azizullah Khudabukksh
 PATEL, Hashmukh Nagjibhai
 READ, Edwin Charles
 ODURO, Robert Emmanuel
 DESAI, Ashok Haribhai
 WILLIAMS, David Glyndwr Tudor
 CHEE, Tiang Chin
 STEWART, Seymour Slasbury Aston
 STANNARD, John Anthony
 ESAN, Olajide
 ROY, Arun Chandra
 CARVER, John Humphry Robertson
 BENAISA, Godfrey Lukongwa
 DIX, Anthony Arthur William
 NOURSE, Martin Charles
 AGBAHOE, Wilson Daniel Omoide
 GANGAH, Dussoruth
 HINDOCHA, Kantilal Kurji

OMISADE, Michael Adepapo
 PATTNI, Chhotalal Damji
 CHEAH, Theam Swee
 LAI, Tung Fatt
 POONAI, Moheneernauth
 OO, Gin Sun
 BAIDOO, Sampson
 TESSY, Naqi Simon
 RATTRAY, Raphael Carl
 IDOWA, Emmanuel Oladele
 RAMESH

PRAKASH, Om
 CHOMCHAI, Prachoon
 DUFFUS, Herbert George Holywell
1st May

McFARLANE, Dennis Homer Clare
 TORRANCE, Hugh Myer Bernard
 AMIN, El Rayah El
 DEBONO, Marius Paul Anthony
 TAYLOR, Olive Petunia Dorothy
 OLUSOLA, Benedict Olufemi
 REWANE, Ogbemi Newe

19th June

BOURKE, Bridget Deane
 WICKREMESEKERA, Devasinghe
 Chitraratne William
 GILBERT, Gaston John
 ASARIA, Hussenal Perbhai
 BUTLER-O'CONNOR, Michael Penrose
 ANTERKYI, Jonas Sylvestre Andrew
 TAYLOR, John Charles
 RAY, Maya
 CORBETT, John
 BHAGAT, Ram Narayan
 IQBAL, Javid
 ADELE, Bolaji Adetokun
 DAYAL, Ursula
 OSMAN, Lorrain Esme
 LUKE, Ebenezer Livesey
 NORTON, Reginald Henry Lewis Rufus
 VIRANI, Shantilal Dulabhji
 ELLES, Diana Louie
 ATANDARE, Beatrice Abioetun Olukemi
 POTTER, Francis Malcolm
 THEAN, Lip Ping
 NONYELU, Felix Katchy
 KEHINDE, Festus Adebayo
 PRYOR, Bryan Hugh
 RUPARELL, Shantilal Hirje
 DEVI, Nadchatiram Kamala
 ONOJOBI, Oliver Olamide Onoyemi
 MATHEW, Mamutil John
 LEE, Tuan Huat Bigley

MAKO, Adeyinka
 KESIRO, Samuel Belaji
 VALENTINE, Donald Graham
 KHAN, Mohammed Sardar Ali
 SANMUGANATHAN, Muttusamy
 PATEL, Jashbhai Bhailabhai
 ODUNSU, Adegboyega
 SHARMA, Raj Kumar
 GILL, Atma Singh
 NAIDO, Mooroooghiah Dhanabathy
 CHENG, Teng Chun
 APPAH-SAMPONG, Jonathan Lawrence
 BHOGAL, Harcharan Singh
 KOTOYE, Nathaniel Adedamola Babalola
 YAP, Yeok Siew
 MAJAINA, Adi Nusserwanji
 SALAM, Abdul Shakurul
 KAMAT, Dileep Anant
 MASSIAH, Keith Stanislaus
 KHAN, Mohammad Amir Hyder
 SINGH, Balwant

GONSALVES, Alex Raymond
 HAGUE, Nigel Thornton
 RILEY, Norman Robinson
 JAYASURIYA, Gilbert
 PATEL, Narendra Manubhai
 OGUNSANYA, Adebayo Adebola
 KASUMU, Ayodele Bankole
 TAY, Alice Erh Soon
 ONONYE, Joseph Chukwumah
 BLOFELD, John Christopher Calthorpe
 SADIPE, Enoch Bolade
 ADARAMAJA, Akinola

27th November

KHAW, Kai-Bok
 REDDIN, Henry McIntyre
 OBHRAI, Dalip Singh
 THOMAS, Norman Edgar
 NAGAMOOTTOO, Sandalingum
 LEWIS, Lesley
 QUEK, Bu Su
 JAYASEKERA, Mahadura Lambert Silva
 JETHA, Sadrudin Gulamali Mussa
 VANAPLUX, Sakal
 TUTU, Osei
 DIBIAEZUE, Maecheus Onumbra
 KADILA, Vijay Kumar
 BACCHUS, Mohamad Haroon
 DYNE, Harry Mosley
 GHOWS, Abdul Manaf bin Mohammed
 SEOW, Gordon Li Ming
 ISMAIL, Tengku Ahmad Rithauddeen bin
 Tengku

COMBEER, Arthur William
 KENNEDY, David Charles
 SINGH, Harvjit Singh Sewa
 MITTER, Arya
 KESHANI, Chandrakan Jeyantilal
 WONG, Paul Mun Yong
 KOCHUTHOMMEN, Thamarappalli
 DADZIE, Emmanuel Kodjoe
 PROPHET, John
 LEVY, Benjamin Keith
 MBAZIRA, Emmanuel Seismus
 RAY, Manjula
 REHMAN, Fazal Ur
 VOHRA, Gureharan Singh
 OWUSU-AFRIYEL, Osei Hyiaman
 DESAI, Jayant Nichabhai
 OGUCHI, Henry Cukwuemeka
 SHARMA, Sat Bhusan Bali
 WYNTER, Horace Orlando
 RASANI, Ismail Shaiikh Ahmedali
 KAIM-CAUDLE, Peter Robert
 NAGPURWALA, Hamza Imdadali
 AMPAW, Gibson Dokeji
 SHOMADE, Albert Adebayo
 WHEELER, Kenneth Richard
 THRUSH, Anthony Michael
 SHAH, Rammiklal Raishi
 DAVIES, John Derek
 FERRIS, Francis Mursell
 HARITWAL, Ram Niranjana
 COONARASWAMY, Muttiah
 BOWEN, Ronald
 PATEL, Mahendra Aubalal
 SANDEELA, Fateh Mohammad
 PAREKH, Hasmukbrai Manilal
 FIELD, John
 HUNNISETT, Derek Russell
 SODHI, Savinder Singh
 ERRINGTON, John Julian
 CHATTERJEE, Dilip Kumar
 ALI, Syed Othman bin
 LOBANOW-ROSTOVSKY, John
 SUBBIAH, Thevarayan
 PATHAK, Dambaru Dhar
 DEOVLETIAN, Sempad
 OGEDENGBE, Stephen Ayayi
 LENG, Koh Kim
 SHAH, Dharendra Ujamshi
 TAHILRAMANI, Haridas Vishinsing

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FERNANDO, Kshama Ishwari Weerakoon

QUINN, Arthur Edmundson
 BHATTACHARYYA, Ghaya
 LARDNER, Harry Afolabi
 SPRIGGE, David Alan
 OGUNKANMI, Teni Agboola
 MCGREGOR, Sylvester St Clair
 MOUNTFORD, Frank Raymond
 SENEQUE, Andra Gabriel France
 ACHIAMPONG, Welbeck Kwame
 PATEL, Suryakant Raojibhai
 WHITE, Earl Morris
 ANSARI, Saed Ahmed
 GEORGE, Vadaketh Chacko
 KERSLEY, Kenneth William
 BEG, Mohamed Sanawar
 KAPILA, Ramesh Mitter
 VARMA, Ahilya Bai
 KHAHWANI, Mohammad Khan
 KHAN, Mir Bahauddun Alin
 SENEVIRATNE, Ahangama Withanage
 Don Gunarama Rajah
 BEE, Jenny Lau Bong
 ARDO, Muhammadu Buba
 ADOGU, Silvanus Hivankwo
 VARMA, Narnedra Kumar
 PETERSON, Colin Vyvyan
 TARSH, Derek Nicholas
 WRIGHT, John Michael
 JOYNES, Bryan Stanley
 MIAN, Ajmal
 SANDEY, Emmanuel Abiodun
 STEEL, Maurice Stacey
 CHASTI, Ziaul Hasan
 WELLER, Miriam May Bella
 SMITH, Robert Guy Foster
 GOODHART, William Howard
 BICKERSTETH, Arthur Olubukunola
 LAKHA, Abdulrasul Ahmed
 ABBASAKOOR, Aboobakar
 Noormahamed
 OBIORA, Samson Ballantyne
 Chukuemeka
 PHIPPS, Frank Milton Granville
 SHAH, Ramaiklal Valabji
 ARONSON, Michael Eustace
 MIRZA, Akbar Hyat
 EZE, Emmanuel Okoye
 Obichebelum
 OKAGBUE, Rowland Obiora
 CENAC, Winston Francis
 OFFIAH, Frank Okagbue
 ROOKE, Giles Hugh
 NATHAN, Jacob Hayam

21st May

FRANKSON, Winston Barrington
 DATOOBHOY, Habib Husein
 WILKIE, Elaine Barbara
 NIMJI, Zulficaraly
 ADADE, Nicholas Yaw Bofo
 DUDHIA, Musa Isap Mahomed
 SHROFF, Hoshang Bhikhajee
 CHIN, Peh Swee
 YOUNG-HARRY, Adaiyi Samuel
 MANAN, Ibrahim bin Abdul
 STEWART, Charles

9th July

PEREIRA, Stany
 SMITH, Kenneth
 CHOONG, Ewe Leong
 LAWTON, Alan Douglas
 SALLOWAY, Donald Harry
 COOPER, Jamshed Homi
 GIWA, Fatai Oladale
 BASU, Krishnaprasad
 ROSS, Charles Aubrey Birch
 N'JIE, Sheriff Aidara
 EUE, Abab Oguru
 STANLEY, Edward Max
 ENO, Dan Akpau
 DWARIKA, Lincoln Edward
 HUSSAIN, Ishad Abuid
 CHAN, Loo Thye
 PLUMMER, Mary Rose
 OLAYEDE, Timothy Olejide
 SHARMA, Dev Raj
 HENTY, Jonathan Maurice
 MANSOOR, Mohamed Ashroff
 RAJAHSINGHAM, Rajarathau
 CHATTERJI, Karunamoy
 MYRIE, Bertram Lockland
 NADESAN, Annamalay
 AYALOGU, Joseph Onuorah
 PAULUSZ, Jan Gilbert
 SAWYERR, Oladiah Olanrewaju
 HARDY, Richard
 GOPAL, Ajit Singh
 OYUDO, Godfrey Obifuna
 MING, Liu Taz
 OLUWA, Isiaka Ishola
 SPENCER, Peter George
 WOODHOUSE, Frederick William
 NG, Lin Hong
 BADA, Charles Olatyrewaju Olusanu
 KERR, James Sewell
 TREON, Rajinderlal Bahawahmal
 SMALL, Lensworth Sylvester

AKPOFURE, Macaulay Ovwiudo
 NAZIR, Intiaz
 PARMAR, Girdharlal Valji
 BANERJEE, Tapas Kumar
 SUCHAK, Anil Kumar Damodar
 KASIM, Osol
 PIRZADA, Abdul Hafeez
 HANCOCK, Lionel Knowles
 MARSH, Waldo Dermot
 CHOUDRY, Muhammad Jameel
 KHANDELWAL, Premnath Ramprasad
 EKWEREKWU, Michael Nwaobiora
 ADESANYA, Samuel Eloin

26th November

HALL, Dennis Coleman
 MAHADEVARAYAN, Ramanathan
 Chelvaraynan
 KAPILA, Sudarshan Kumar
 RAQUIB, Kazi Abdur
 DUGGINS, Francis
 ALJEFREE, Syed Hassan
 FERNANDEZ-McCARTNEY, Harvey O'Brien
 HEWINS, Anthony Hammond
 AMEEN, Muhammad Rook-el
 INYANG, Christopher Okou
 HALIM, Shahid
 NG, Mann Sau
 ABDUL RAZAK BIN ABU SAMAH
 LIM, Yu-Mei
 KAPILA, Rajinder
 GHOSH, Dipanker
 EDWARDS, Noel Oliver
 VOHRA, Narsing Pal
 JACOBS, Ronald
 JHUMRA, Mohammad Bashir Ahmad
 GARRICK, David Ladipo
 MOROHUNDIYA, Samuel Olasupo
 OBENG, Stephen Kofi
 WALIA, Indar Singh
 BOLARINWA, Adedokun
 AKINFOSILE, Olufunmi
 SYAL, Balber Chand
 GOR, Chittranjan Bhanprasad
 KAMARA, Abu Bakarr
 JAIYEOLA, George Kayode
 DEMETRIOU, Sotirakis
 SHAH, Chandulal Hemraj
 PRINJA, Prem Dutt
 HAMILTON, Winifred Mary
 WEITHERS, Carlton Wilbert
 D'SILVA, Joachim Augustus
 KAMARUDDIN, Mohamad Azmi bin
 OGUNDERE, Joseph Diekola

PATEL, Vanubhai Vithalbhai
 ORR, Chester Fillerton Bowen
 OGUNSAN, Alfred Adekoya
 ISMAIL, Ismi bin
 RAI, Avtur Singh
 SINGH, Harecharan
 DIAB, Robert Antoine
 ANYIAM-OSIGWE, Unaegbu Unadike
 ANTULAY, Ali Abduldafoor
 RAY, Sachindra Kumar
 HOLLAND, Mark Leslie
 CHOUDRI, Sher Zaman
 AGORE, Idowo Olayimika
 FRY, Frank Anthony Wilson
 FOLARIN, Olawale
 WATKINS, Alun Rhun
 AHAMED, Zaherally Kassamally
 SETH, Leila
 KARIMBHAI, Kurbanhusein Mulla
 SHORO, Haider Ali
 NJIRIBEAKO, Duke Enyinna
 MURRAY, Edward Solomon John
 WARNE, Sydney Columbus Eugene
 MOLE, Derek Charles Lovelace
 CHANNA, Permuhomeed Shermuhomed
 NATHOO, Husein Dostmohamed
 ACQUAAH, Kofi

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4th February

DANGAN, Rt Hon Denis Arthur
 Wellesley, Viscount
 MILLER, William Ronald
 ONYEJEKWU, Robert Nwachukwu
 ASARIA, Yusufali Gillamhussain
 YOKE, Alice Tan Kim
 MENON, Karunakaran Achuthan
 JAYALATH, Dharmaraja Gemuwu
 KIDDLE, John Otto
 OLIVER, John Hoblyn
 AIYEOLA, Nathaniel Obayomi
 TRIGG, Brian Walter Chatterton
 RAZZAG, Ghazi Abdur
 SIYONBOLA, Rahimi Adefikusola
 SIDDIQUE, Saijuddin Ahmad
 SOGBETUN, Solomon Osobukunola
 LEMKI, Abdulla Mohammed Suluiman
 SHAH, Jayantilal Lavji
 DADEY, Joseph Obeng
 QUASHIE-IDUN, John Benjamin
 TSAI, Yuet Len
 ABDUL HAMID, Hashim bin
 GOTTLIEB, Gideon Alain Guy

OYENUBI, Marcellinus Adesina
 SIDDIQUE, Naz Mohammed
 SOLARIN, Adewemimo Daodu
 COLTHORPE, Marion Evelyn
 MAHMOOD, Mian Dilawar
 DE LISSER, Paul Clifford
 CHOON, Mah Hon
 COTTIS, Crispus Peter
 DISU, Mohammad Mobolaji Abayomi
 Quikepe
 MONEY, Emile David Drummond
 PATEL, Ratookumar Manorbhai
 TOMLINSON, Leonard Mead
 SUNG, Lee Soo
 DESAI, Praful Manubhai
 TALATI, Asadwaster Shavasrhaw
 AHLUWALIA, Gurdial Singh
 SINGH, Dalip
 MHAISKAR, Vinayak Dattratrava
 VYAS, Ramanlal Purushottam
 CHOUDHRY, Iqbal Ahmad
 AHMAD, Syed Sardar
 ARTHUR, Jonathan
 FAWEHINMI, Rasheed Ola
 N'JIE, Ebrima Daddal
 CHUKURA, Gillford Olisadubem
 DE SILVA, Ralph Anton
 DUCKWORTH, Brian Roy
 DATTA, Chittaranjan
 MIAN, Waheed Mahomood
 FAGBEURO, Samuel Adekunle
 BANDARANAYAKE, George Randaolph
 Tissa Dias
 YA'COB, Mohammed bin
 SANDELL, Jennifer
 MUI, Oug Lock
 HASSAN, Malik Saeed
 DESAI, Sujata Kantilal
 SENEVIRATNE, Lakshman Chandra
 AKPOVI, Joseph Loweremoh
 CODJOE, Samuel Mensah
 LEWIS, Philip Simon Coleman
 KOROMA, Abu Aiah
 EMODI, Joseph Okechukwu
 MALIK, Yabir Ahmed
 JOSEPH, Malaikkal Ittoop
 DAS, Gobind Chandra
 AHMAD, Akhtaruddin
 WATSON, Emmanuel Nwakuku
 OKORO, Nwakanwa Agwo
 RAHMAN, Sheikh Abdul
 LEIBA, Charles Leopold
 FOSTER, Kenneth Augustine Hermas

AHMED, Syed Ishtiaque
 LEE, Trevelyn Astor
 PUNJA, Sat Pal
 MATHEW, Vadakeperambil Mathew
 SINGH, Gurbachan Singh Ram
 AGARWALA, Balmukand Rangilal
 KENG, Chong Kah
 OGUNDARE, Michael Ekundayo
 RICHARDSON, John Reginald Fitzroy
 HUANG, Lawrence Hau-Chang
 FORDE, Louis Eugene Allan
 QUERESHI, Shanuat Husain
 NYAMEYA, James
 AKHTAR, Mohammed Musharaf
 EMEHEL, John Nnabude
 McKAY, Rex Herbert

6th May

MADANAYAKE, Charamaunsa Sripala
 AKINSEMOYIN, O A
 FLOYER, David Cornish
 BROWN, Walter Bentley
 OLPHIN, Albert Edward Lawrence
 KULUBYA, Sirwana Kityaba
 CHIRWA, Orton Edgar
 BULBULIA, Mohamed Ameen Ebrahim
 SANDHU, Manmohan Singh Prem Singh

24th June

MAMUJEE, Esmail Mulla
 GABBAY, Edmund
 NYON, Asuquo
 SOYSA, Victor Charles de
 GRAFT-JOHNSON, Edward Victor Collins
 de
 KUMAR, Nagendra
 MACAULEY, Wallace Ronald Tislington
 ALLEN, Cynthia Joanna Mary
 NARRAINEN, Marreemootoo
 CAPILDEO, Rudranath
 ALTALIB, Rasheed
 KORKUT, Argun Fadil
 PANDE, Ramadhar
 HUQ, Syed Mohammad Habibul
 STEVENSON, James Stuart
 TOH, Theam Hock
 SOLANKE, Olajide
 DE SILVA, Manouri Kokila
 KHAN, Jiaz Nasrullah
 YEBUAH, Christopher Tsumashie
 AWOPEJU, Joshua Olufunmiwa
 GEARY, James Grant
 DALAL, Shasheedhr Shreedhar
 SQUIRES, Herbert Medley
 BEHURA, Bijoy Kumar

MARRI, Mir Khuda Bux
 MASCARENHAS, Clarence Wilfred
 JOBANPUTRA, Mansukhlal Vanmali
 ANNAND, Alistair Ian
 CHOWDHURY, Sultan Ahmed
 IRELAND, Kermit Hugh Jellicoe
 KOFI-SACKEY, Horace Walter
 PONNUDURAI, Rajendra
 PANDYA, Hashmukhlal Devshanker
 ROWE, Ira de Cordova
 LOCKWOOD, George Hepworth
 MAJITHIA, Priyaudan Madhavji
 KHAN, Saeed ur Rehman
 SYKES, James Richard
 ODUBIYI, Frederick Stephen Olatunde
 OKUWA, Kayode Gbadebo
 PATEL, Mahendra Kumar Naranbhai
 NEVILL, John William
 BRIDGES-ADAMS, John Nicholas
 William

DESAI, Kanoobhai Chhotabhai
 BALOCH, Rasool Bux
 CAREY, Boyd Humbert
 RAICHURA, Jayantilal Dayalji
 GURKAN, Ahmed Muzaffer
 SAGOO, Deedar Singh
 JOHNSON, Julius Aremu
 OSAKWE, George Ummuna
 KOTTECHA, Kishor Karsandas
 GANATRA, Mahendra Haridas
 UMEADI, Philip Green Ezebilo
 JOHNSON, Ewart Barrington
 TANO, Emmanuel Gyekye
 YAP, Tyou Min
 ING, Noel Denis
 TEO, Sook Kok
 GARBER, Manilius Reginald Oyedele
 BARNETT-ROBERTS, George
 BASSEY, Peter Odo Effiong
 ELUAKA, Michael Chukuma
 LOTIA, Amirale Mulla Tayabali
 DUTT, Nripendra Nath
 JACOBS, Anthony John David Nicholl
 Sabine
 BURNS, Margaret
 HEYES, Jackson
 VASSILIADIS, Pavlos George
 PULLINGER, John Elphick
 KING, Nathaniel McIntosh
 RAJA, Mohamed Redzuan
 ERNANDEZ, Joseph Antonio
 Delacorridad
 ARRINDELL, Clement Athelstone

25th November

UDO-AFFIA, James
 SAYANY, Badrudin Karmali
 WIJEWARDANE, Aravinda Indrapala
 KASIM, Azizudeen Rahemtalla
 THALAYASINGAM, Thuraippah
 LOBO, Anthony Finton
 SHAMS-UL-HAQUE, Kureshy
 POLLEY, Jonathan Kofi
 MOLES, Hugh Graham
 FERNANDO, Desmond Malcolm Peter
 MILLER, Michael
 OFOBORH, Paul Sunney Joseph
 WATT, Roland Cyril
 NEESHAM, Thomas Anthony
 EZENOBI, Akosa Arizemachukwu
 HUMPHREY, Heather Winifred
 BAQIR, Moahmmad Sharif
 PATEL, Prafulchandra Chandulal
 KANTINTI, Moses Chrysostom
 KUSHIMO, Victor Adeyinka
 SHARMA, Vishva Bandhu Lalchand
 EJEGI-MEMEH, Sameul Omatsogunwa
 CLUFF, Wilfrid John
 MCCARTHY, Brian Scott
 TERRELL, William Arthur Hamilton
 a'Beckett
 PEARLMAN, Valerie Anne
 ODUMOSU, Oluwole Idowu
 JOHNSON, Millard Fiomore
 MENON, C. Divakar
 TAYLOR, John Nicholas Kobina
 PANCHOLI, Navnit Vasantraï
 MUHARREM, Usal Djemil
 OKUEYUNGBO, Hector Adepoju
 AMADU-SUKA, Muhammad Mubarak
 ALAKA, Joseph Babatunde
 BUTTERY, Judith Ann
 BROHI, Ghulam Sarwar Abdul Karim
 CHATTERJEE, Mukti Kumar
 AMIN, Jayendra Manubhai
 RUSH, Edward Antisell Michael
 Stanistreet
 BERGMAN, Sofie
 KHAN, Wassim Alam
 GBAJA-BIAMILA, Mustapha Kehinde
 NAG, Rathindra Chandra
 JOANNIDES, Antonios Joannou
 KHAN, Mizza Muzaffar Ali
 RILEY, Cyril
 MARKANDAY, Vishwa Nath
 PANJA, Ajit Kumar
 DESHMANE, Arvind Vinayak

SHAW, Alfred William Groves
 OGBULI, Benedick Chukwuma
 AZAHARI, Zain
 RENNIE, James Douglas Milne
 DUNN, William Hubert
 COHEN-LUBIN, David
 BARON, Christopher John Clifford
 SHACKLES, Alexander David Lawrence
 WATERS, Donovan William Mockford
 KELLY, Alexander
 HAYWARD, Peter Allan
 HASHIM, Harun Mahumud
 THANNI, Talhat Adebayo
 AYOOLA, Emmanuel Olajinka
 UMOH, Peter Umana
 LAI, Cecila Chan Kit
 GILMAN, Amador Goodwin
 BARKER, Lionel Wentworth
 RAMGOOLAM, Ganga Persad
 TURNER, John Wynyard MacDougall
 BHAVANI, Narain Gopichand
 RAMBACHAN, Roopnarine
 JAYAWARDENA, Visaka Kumari
 TAMPOE, Dorairajah John

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DE MEL, Francisco Johannes Clive
 SHANKARDASS, Raghuvansh Kumar
 Prithvinath
 CHATWANI, Rajnikant Popatlal
 DE SOUZA, Anthony
 SHENDAGE, Tukaram Krishnarav
 DAS, Jitendra Kumar
 SHARMA, Nararaja Sundara
 GAYA, Mahomed Khalid
 MANGAT, Daleep Singh
 DUBAY, Seunarine Mahadeo
 BALAKRISHNA, Ennala
 DAVIS, Gerald Hugh Blakeman
 DIAS, Roland
 CHUAN, Thomas Tan Teck
 AWOONER-WILLIAMS, Emmanuel Brigars
 MALLIK, Amarnath
 OKOROAFOR, Sunday Nkem
 MURAD, Naruddin Sheikh Ebrahim
 GHOSE, Ajay Kumar
 KOUMAS, Michael Georgiou
 ADESKAN, Samuel Ilori
 O'HIGGINS, Paul
 AMEEN, Badrul
 AKINSETE, Xavier Mosopafie
 MIRZA, Ghulam Myaddid

DAS, Pradip Kumar
 BALOGUN, Michael Omojola
 BAHL, Ved Prakash
 JASLOWITZ, Lotti
 AJIBOLA, Olunbunmi Adelowo
 CHAKRABORTY, Amaresh Chandra
 MEHTA, Ashwinkumar Bhailal
 KUMARAKULASINGHE, Prabhakaran
 Sadanandan Barr
 KINGSLEY, Jacqueline Susan
 BEHAL, Madanlal
 BAILEY, Anthony Charles
 PATEL, Girishbhai Kuberbhai
 AGHA, Saifuddin
 IKEJANI, Nathan Chukuemeka
 IKRAMULLAH, Salma Rasheeda Akhta
 Bano
 LAWTON, Louis David
 ADEBO, Timothy Ajayi
 NATHWANI, Dhirajlal Gordhandas
 OMOLODUN, John Olatunji
 AMUAH, Isaac
 DAVIES, Samuel Beccles
 MESHOULAM, Isaac
 AHMAD, Syed Iqbal Uddin
 OSISANYA, Samuel Adekoya
 WAN HAMZAH BIN SALLEH
 ADIO, Yekini Olayiwola
 OKANY, Gilbert Chukwuma Bertier
 BLACKMAN, Alford Randolph
 MARWOOD, Joseph Roy
 VELJI, Noorali Alidina
 SINGH, Har Der
 ISAHAK BIN ABDUL HAMID
 UYANNA, Francis Gabriel Chinafuzo
 ONYEKWULUJE, Gibson Egbuonu Nwosu
 LAIWOLA, Makarjuola Bukola Idowu
 ARORA, Rajeshwar Kumar
 AGBU, Charles Edozie
 DEVARAJAH, Arumugam

28th April

SINGH, Inder Jit
 OLOKO, Atinuku Omobonike
 BEHAN, Joginder Singh
 SUPPIAH, Pakrisamy
 MASULIASAMY, Muthoo
 ANJARWALLA, Kamzaali Abbasbhai
 Taiabhji
 HALSE, Nigel Everard Temple
 SWANIKER, Herbert Peter
 IGE, Samuel Oladele
 MAYANJA, Abubakar Kakyama
 HAMMOND, James Anthony

ODESANYA, Olufemi Ishola
 ADEPEGBA, Solomon Christopher
 Adeniran
 SMITH, Joan Grafton
 NWOKEDI, Paul Kedi
 WOLF, Leopold Kare
 OKONKWO, George Chukueloka
 LAI, Khee-Sin Joseph
 LUBOWA, Lemeck
 OJOMO, John Agboola
 RAJARATNAM, Tellippalai Wanarajah

16th June

BAYLEY, Oswald Steward Morris
 SHARMA, Sushila Kumari Lalchand
 MAINGARD, Joseph Benedict Jacques
 PERARA, Clarence Quentin
 TOWNSEND, Anthony James
 MAINI, Krishan Murti
 MASTER, Shyam Sunder Purushottam
 QURESHI, Abdus Sattar
 PRASAD, Shyam Nandan
 DAVE, Amritlal Prabhashanker
 BHANDARI, Prakashmal
 CHOON, Yap Kim
 PATEL, Shankerbhai Motibhai
 DOVE, Arthur William
 MANIAM, Periathamby Swasubra
 ISLAM, Mohammad Nurul
 TRIVEDI, Dayashanker Oghadlal
 PADIA, Churanjan Jadavji
 SHAPIRO, Gamliel
 MUSOKE, Saulo
 KWANG, Choo Eng
 BHUTTO, Mumtaz Ali
 RAJ, Sinnapillai Ananda
 OKOYE, Herbert Ikemefuna
 SOHBI, Sid Hassan
 SMOUHA, Richard Eskell
 JHA, Birendra Kumar
 ALI, Akbar
 MBANEFO, Patrick Mofunanya
 HUSAIN, Shaikh Mohammed
 IMAM, Abdel Magud
 MEHTA, Surabhi Shashikant
 CHATWANI, Jaswanti Rajnikeant
 MILLER, Mary Elizabeth
 ODUGBESAN, Frederick Adyinka
 FATMI, Syed Haneef Akhtar
 GABOL, Abdul Sattar
 RAO, Sharadkumar Sadashiv
 ODUSOTE, Samuel Adedeji
 MAJOR, William Thomas
 RAZI, Akhtar Abdul Waheed

WRIGHT, Martin Luther
 ADDO-KUFUOR, Marian Adwoa
 HUSAIN, Anwar
 SARUMI, Raimi Adegbite
 MURUGAIYAN, Govinda
 IKEME, Alexander Muofunanya
 VAN ZWANENBERG, Anna
 YA'KUB, Abdul Rahman bin
 GAUTAMA, Krishan Chander
 SARVAIYA, Balubhai Jatubhai
 RAICHADA, Rajnikantnenshi
 SALMON, Ronald Leaford
 CLARKE, Michael Hugo Friend
 CHAKRAVATTI, Rathundra Kumar
 SINGH, Ojager Tara
 ALLAGOA, Michael Victor Okechudwu
 CHADWICK, Penelope Purcell
 OJKUTU, Wahab
 REDDY, Hayakal Kotla Vasudeva
 NZWEWA, Bernard Sunday Chigbu
 CHARALAMBIDES, Charalambos
 Theodorou
 LAKHANI, Rajnikant Muljibhai
 MUNIM, Fazle Kaderi Muhammad
 Abdul
 GYEKE-DAKO, Victor Kwasi
 PARKAR, Ali Mohmend Saleh
 JILANI, Ghulam
 HILL, Norman Washington Ignatius
 BABAJIDE, David Babarinde
 COOPER, Martin Anthony
 MAYANJA, Jehoash Sebakyalwayo
 Nkangi
 KHAN, Gul Mohammad
 MBAKWE, Samuel Onunaka
 ROBINSON, Everard Mayland
 MITRA, Anindya Kumer
 HOSSAIN, Kamal
 HENRIQUES, Ivory Hewart McCardie
 SAMI, Salih
 AKERE, Christopher Ikadiri
 SHITTO-BEY, Bashiru Akanbi
 KIT, Lam Khuan
 OSINIBI, Victor Folarin Adeoye
 RAHIM, Mohamed Raza Jaffer
 COOKE, Brian
 BABALAKIN, Bolariniva Oyegoke
 TOMLINSON, Beryl Anita
 ISIKALU, Nkoyo Maete Lolade
 DHANNY, George Edmund
 NTOW, Joseph Victor Mantey
 SONUGA, Christopher Oluayo
 KOLAWOLE, Nathaniel Ololabi

LAI, Ang Chui
 JONES, David Aubrey
 FONTES, Peter Alexandre
 YATES, Douglas Harold Blackburn
 WILLIAMS, James Oladipo
 HAQUE, Muhammad Abdul
 BINGHAM, Donald Osric
 AIYEOLA, Olaseni Akinyemi
 BELL-GAM, Rowland Assissi
 SEN GUPTA, Surajit
 ATIBA, Adeniram
 OSHODI, Emauel Adewale
 ADESINA, Adenugba Adegoroye
 RAHMAN, Muhammad Shamsur
 AJAYI, Raphael Olayimika
 BENSON, Babatunde Olusole
 REHMAN, Abdul
 QUERESHI, Ali Aishad
 BHAVNANI, Gandharar Raj
 24th November
 KIRPAL, Jay Anand
 MUKHOPADHYAY, Nishith Kumar
 LEWIS, Edward Victor McDonald
 ANAND, Rabinda Nath
 TAYLOR, Michael Howard Gledhill
 WESTTHORP, Cyril Sanderson
 SAHATHEVAN, Selvadurai
 GEORGE, Samuel Henry Abayomi
 GRATRUX, William Jeremy David
 Marshall
 MA, Tak-Onn
 SABUWALA, Yakubali Kameralli
 JOHN, Appu
 NAZ, Ghulam Ahmed
 BACHANI, Abdul Jabbar
 MAJA, Modupe
 ANWADIKE, Daniel Obiora
 KHOSO, Afzal Khan
 DOSSA, Kazimali Hussain
 KHAN, Anwar-ul-Haque
 PRASAD, Anckoor Seewoo
 BAROT, Devprasad Karson
 TRIM, Rupert Noel
 IBRAHIM, Yussuff Hugh Sydney
 Randolph
 ABDULLAH BIN GHAZALI
 KAMAL, Mustafa
 KAPILA, Harish Chandra
 KORDE, Aneelchandra Khanderao
 FABORO, Samuel Adebayo
 BUTT, Zahur-ul-Din
 NELSON-COFIE, Timothy Adotei
 IRANI, Shirin Rustam

JUGNAUTH, Lall
 MARTIN, Edmund Oscar
 MBOYA, George Polycarp Akoko
 BAMGBOYE, David Christian Adeyinka
 BREWAH, Lusenl Alfred Molu
 WEI, Robert Wen-Nan
 HESSE, Emmanuel Christian
 OHONBAMU, David Obarogie
 HAMILTON, Howard Randolph
 AITCHESON, Sandra Beverley
 BUCKLE, Vidal Lushington
 AKINDIJI, Gabriel Adeogbo
 OLLOH, Patrick Ndudi
 KHAN, Sher Mohammad
 AOFOLAJU, Adebayo
 HAASTRUP, Timothy Adeyeba
 ODUJINRIN, Olufunmilayo Olabisi
 VERSI, Bashir Abdulrasul Suleman
 BOYE, Daniel Albert
 AHMED, Tofail
 MEMON, Abdul Hafez
 SHAH, Sajjad Ali
 JENKINS, Arthur Bernard
 YONG, Ten Chin
 SHAIKH, Mohammad Ali
 COTRAN, Eugene
 ACHIKE, Godfrey Okechukwo
 OBIESIE, Anthony Ifeanyichukwu
 MBANUGO, Harry Nnemeka
 AKBAR, Syed Saeed
 LOBO, Edwin
 DEOBAKHTA, Avinash Ganesh
 ABDUL DAIM BIN HJI MOHAMED
 ZAINNUDDIN
 SINGH, Ranjit
 SULEMANJI, Taherali Amiji
 GBAJA-BIAMILA, Lateef Ayodele
 DAVIS, Camaford Clinton
 JAIN, Baboo Lall
 DEYALSINGH, Lennox Dunbar
 RAHMAN, Muhammad Habibur
 ALI, Kelvin Lionel
 KHAN, Ashraf Ullah

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9th February

MORDI, Cyril Chukwuma
 MCONIE, Marie Emily Georgina
 THANAWALLA, Sadrudin Haiderali
 OGBO, George Udeagbala
 OTHMAN, Mohamed Ariff bin
 PITCHEN, Louis Yves
 HALILAMIAN, Somsakdi

BROOKMAN, Daniel Gladwin Ewusi
 LAKHANI, Davendra Kanjee Naranjee
 DEVADSON, Daniel Alageratnam
 KORDE, Neela Khanderao
 YEAP, Hui Jee
 SWAINE, John Joseph
 MENSAH, Timothy Amihere
 RAMLOGAN, Ouditnarine
 KHAN, Mohamed Aleram
 COURTENAY, Vernon Harrison
 KELSICK, John Christopher
 WEITHERS, Dennis Alaric
 TANTEMSAPYA, Maitri
 TAGOE, Alfred Desmond
 MARAJ, Roop Narine
 PATEL, Mahendrabhai Mithabhai
 OWUSU-YAW, Joseph
 JAYAWARDENA, Ainsley Nimal Ubesinghe
 ASHUN, Samuel Emmanuel
 MANNING, Alonzo de Cordova
 MINAS, Charitos Christou
 VASHI, Nawaraj Govindji
 OORJITHAM, Victor
 MALIK, Magbul Ilahi
 EMMANUEL, George Pythagoras
 NIKITAS, Solon Georgiou
 SOLANA, Michael Godson Oduwale
 ESIN, Okon Anewanar
 MOJEKWU, Wilfred Jeremiah Ejikeme
 AFREH, Dixon Kwame
 ALLEN, Ivy May
 SHEIKH, Abdul Waheed
 DEVI, Lula
 GHOSAL, Satybrata
 SINGH, Kuldip
 SALEEMI, Ghulam Sarwar
 NYI, Kyaw
 ADEDIGBA, Moses Akinsiku
 WOYIKE, Richard Wosu
 WEBSTER, Gerald Peter
 KENNEDY, John Andrew Dunn
 AMAIZU, Patrick Ibe
 OBI, Samuel Nwankwo Chinuriba
 FORTE, Ian Xavier
 FAJOBI, Stephan Fazi
 ALLEYNE, Calvin Clairmonte
 WALKER, Robert
 AFRIFAH, James Tufuv
 BALOGUN, Michael Olasubimi Asiru
 MINATTUR, Joseph
 EMENGO, Francis Joseph Ibegbuna
 WAN ISMAIL BIN WAN SALLEH
 UZO, Frederick Odihi

BASHUA, Mikail Adisa Adio
 TUNG PUI KING, Margaret
 BAGREE, Makhavlat
 PATEL, Arvindbhai Manibhai
 FESOB, Anthony Onioitoju
 SAVERIADES, Kyriacos Costa
 IDOWU, Gilbert Ayodele
 GUERRA, Theodore Roosevelt Stephen
 Fabian

WONG, Sophie
 ODEBUNMI, Emmanuel Babatunde
 ADEWUMI, Adebodun Oludare
 ONAFOWOKAN, Tunde Kohinde
 TSEGAI, Seth Arnold Xaxabu

17th May

ORUWARI, Onyeka Obuabra
 WEE, Anthony Soon Kim
 AWADALLA, Babikir
 RICHARDSON, Sam Scruton
 GOURISARIA, Lakshmi Narayan
 LUSTIG, Alexander
 ADUMUA-BOSSMAN, William Nuertey
 KHANNA, Surinder Kumar
 AZIZ, Raja Abdul
 COLVILLE OF CULROSS, Viscount, John

Mark Alexander

TAWIAH, James Kofi
 BARGASH, Murtaza Ebrahimjee
 PEPPE, Barclay Berepikibo
 PATEL, Mahendrakumar Manibhai
 FASIDA, Felix Alfolajimi

12th July

WHITING, Audley Conway Vivian
 KAPILA, Pushpa Kumari
 CHUKUANI, Nwafor
 TAYLOR, Paul Langdon
 GOLDMAN, Poldi Leo
 RAMCHARAN, John Colet
 BANERJEE, Provat
 HAMZAH BIN MOHAMED SALLEH
 SANGANI, Nandlal Kalidas
 CHELLIAH, David Devindra
 LIM, Poh Eam
 COKER, Nathanael Folarin
 GILL, Labh Singh
 SOFAT, Sushil Kumar Babwam
 MORSHED, Ali Kaiser Hasan
 MOORE, Pamela Margaret
 GOPTU, Naranarayan
 FERDINAND, Lily Williamson
 OGUNGBUYI, Samuel David Adebayo
 MORGAN, Marjory Ella Eileen
 SAYYED, Moizuddin

SUCHARITKUL, Rongpet
 RAMJOORAWON, Lall Tacoordecal
 PATTERSON, Horace Victor
 AKINYILI, Chudi
 JIVANI, Sultanali Kurji
 VOHORA, Rajendra Kumar
 SINCLAIR, Robert Stanley
 RATTRAY, Alfred Aldolphus
 KOTHARI, Vasant Chunilal
 WILSON, John Warley

SAHRIF, Halim Mohammed
 BORDOH, Severinus Cudjoe
 OKORLEY, Ebenezer Tettey
 OGUNRO, Gilbert Oyenola
 EGEJURU, George Anelu
 BARNETT, Lloyd George
 IMAM, Syed Fazi
 KHAN, Mahboob Ali
 ROSETTENSTEIN, Albert Mark
 ADEYEMI, Amos Adejoju
 KAFEEZ, Muhammad
 CHAUDHURI, Arijit
 KHAN, Farhat Ali
 HUNT, Roger

ANNESLEY, George
 RATTRAY, Kenneth Osborne
 DALE, Marjorie Algenald
 DA COSTA, Trevor Hope
 MASON, Myrtle Antoinette
 PATEL, Chandubhai Rambhai
 ADENUBI, Emmanuel Odutayo
 Adefoluke

RAJANAYAGAM, Kandiah
 AKINYELE, Gilbert Iranola
 ASKHAM, Harry
 ARCHIBALD, Joseph Samuel
 ADEFALA, Adebayo Olamijulo
 RAMLOGAN, Bissondath
 TUTTLE, Christopher Ducker
 BROWN, Marjorie Edna Rose
 RATHBONE, Brian Benson
 TURNQUEST, Orville Alton
 JEFFREY, David Abbott
 MEER, Siddick Moosa
 HOON, Roma
 SANDRAPRAGAS, Arthur Wilson
 Nathaniel
 SHAH, Rasiklal Velji
 ALELE, John Omatseye
 ELLIS, Richard Peter
 SOFOLAHAN, Jacob Adetunji Oladipo
 ONYEASO, Theophilus Tabansi
 WAMBUZI, Samuel William Wako

MALIK, Muhammad Shafi
 PILLAY, Bal Krishna
 MAIDOH, Augustine Nwaneamaka
 22nd November
 DUFF, Cowan Reginald
 BAINS, Swaran Singh
 MACMILLAN, Shiel Kert
 RADIA, Mansukhlal Popatlal
 BENNY, George Ramoutar
 SOTUBO, Olajide Adesina
 ADAM, Mohamed Ali
 KADERBHOY, Asgar Adamaly
 VOHRAH, Lal Chand
 ANOZIE, Isaac Obiora
 HAJICONSTANTINOU, Andreas
 HALHEAD, Thomas Edmund
 RAM, Kushi
 PATEL, Mahendra
 HARRIS, Henry Roy
 NAIDOO, Kamalam Therese
 AKHTAR, Munawar Ahmed
 FREEMAN, Horace Vickers
 HUSAIN, Huderia Kaiser Jehan
 DHIR, Vidya Sagar
 AKINSANYA, Adeyiga Adegboyega
 GIWA-AMU, Abraham Adebayo
 HAMID, Abdul
 GUEST, James Vincent Chester
 MAWALLA, Juma Reginald Sawaya
 GIBBES, Neville Francis
 SARMA, Anileswar
 RAMSAY, Geoffrey St David
 WOOD, Adelaide Virginia Adjo
 NARAYAN, Urmila Khaimwattee
 RICHARDSON, John Parkin
 EGBE, Emmanuel Tabi
 SHEIKH, Muhammad Jameel
 MCKINNON, Stuart Neil
 OKENLA, Olufunke Olubunmi
 SANYAOLU, Alexander Oladip
 CHEN, Wing Sum
 PINTO, Archibald Elias Reginald
 HOSEIN, Kamal
 LAKHANI, Kantilal Haridas
 CRITCHLEY, Walter Leonard
 NWOKOLO, Ephraim Ikenna Maduabuchi
 PATEL, Thakorbbhai Kashibhai
 ABDULLAH BIN ABDULRAHMAN
 IBRAHIM BIN SALLEH
 OKUNNA, Alphonso Nwokike Onyiauke
 RAITHATHA, Mahendra Jamnadas
 OLAKUNRI, Simeon Moranfolu Olusola
 George

WOODHOUSE, Audley Hezekiah
 LI KUNG SHUNG, Eric
 OSMANI, Abul Fazal Golam
 SHITTA-BEY, Sikiru Ayodeji
 OKOYE, Alexander Ikechukwu
 ALUYI, Isaac Osemewota
 OLUWOLE, Timothy Ajibola
 PATEL, Hirihar Ashabhai
 SINGH, Lal Behari
 ADEGOROYE, Rufus Aderemi
 Adeyemo
 JACOBS, Abraham Olufemi
 KACHIKWU, Francis Okafor
 APPIAH-MENKA, Akenten
 DJAMSON, Eric Christopher
 JALIL, Mohammed Abdul
 NWAUWA, Eze Ama
 BELLO, Moses Olufemi Akambi
 NWOGUGO, Edwin Ifeanyichukwu
 THAM, Nicholas Addae

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7th February

COOPER, Vila Estella
 BATTEN, James Macdonald
 LAN, Wong Yook
 RETNAM, Ramasamy Aria
 EFFIWATT, Ededem Offiong
 NAIR, Krishnankutty
 ECHETABU, Emmanuel Obidi
 BHONSALE, Rajaram Sakhamam
 KING, Richard Alfred Patrick
 KHAN, Mohammed Zahiruddin
 BUCK, Nathaniel Abiose Palmerston
 THOMPSON, Ian Roy
 CABRAL, Vasco Leonel de San Francisco
 Xavier Furtado
 SINGH, Srdar Jagat Paul
 SIM, Teow Gok
 DEACON, Colin Andrew
 KUMRAI, Sham Lall
 MARCANO, Joseph Addison
 MOHAMMED, Hamid
 PIRIE, David Anthony
 BANNERMAN-MENSON, Frank
 CULLEN, Terence Lindsay Graham
 VIRAMI, Tajudaulla
 CHOUDHURY, Manoj Dumar
 DELANO, Isaac Babatunde
 ALEEMI, Muhammad Vajihuddin
 HARLEY, David Clive
 SEHMI, Rapinder Singh
 ATTA, Adamu

CRUICKSHANK, Anthony Michael
 MENSAH, Emmanuel Kwasi
 RIZA, Kwanch Mehmet
 UDESHI, Rameshchandra Ranchhordas
 AU-YONG MOH LUEN, Maureen
 THOMPSON, Peter Kenneth James
 AYORINDE, Ligali Akanni
 ABDUL MANAN BIN OTHMAN
 PERMANAND, Jean Angela
 DUDHIA, Abdul Ebrahim Mohamed
 BARONE, Arturo Celestino
 ARDJIOGLU, Ekrem Yousouf
 DOE-SMITH, Claudis
 YUSOFF BIN MOHAMED
 SEEDAT, Hassim Mohamed
 GHAZNAVI, Kamal Masihuzzaman
 ROYCHOUDHURY, Suhrid Kumar
 BARRIE, Joseph Edward
 BUCKLEY, Martin Christopher Burton
 GANDESHA, Sureschandra Narbheram
 PREVOST, Dorothy Mary
 BASHIRI, Mohammad Ashraf Ali
 PATEL, Ajar Amar
 MEHTA, Dinesh Narmadshanker
 AGUNDBIADE, Akangbeade
 UWAKWE, Thomas Iwuamadi
 BRAITHWAITE, Olatunji Akintunde
 AJILEYE, Samuel Olawejaju
 NWALA, Anthony Shedrach
 OGUNFEIBO, Henry Ayodele
 AOKO, Solomon Olusesan
 OYENUBI, Remilekun Olayinka
 MOLAI, Chrisnadat
 ANYAMENE, Andrew Nwachukwu
 BISSESSUR, Pramahunse
 AYINDE, Joshua Olalere
 PEERA, Issa Gulamhusein
 HASHIM BIN YEOP ABDULLAH SANI
 DUDUYEMI, Alex Oyekunle Aremu
 PEPRA, Alexander Paul
 OSHODI, Wahid Ajao
 KHAN, Nazir Ullah

2nd May

KUPPUSWAMI, Venkathraman
 Ramaswami
 BOSTON, Derrick Osmond
 CHOUDHURY, Viquarul Islam
 MCCALLA, Christopher Archibald
 CHOUDHURY, Anwarul Hoque
 SINCLAIR, Patrick Robert Richard
 TAGOE, Mohammed Tetteh Ayitey
 MIAN, Muhammad Aslam
 QUAYE, Emmanuel Aryee

27th June

SMITH, Harold Dunage
 SAUNDERS, Vincent Albert
 MWENDWA, Mluki Kitili
 ELAPATA, Samuel Alexander
 Iddamalgoda
 WATKINS, Edwin Horatio
 HUSSEIN BIN ONN
 SHAH, Nareshchandra Ranchhodlal
 ADEEKO, Benjamin Folorunso
 SINGH, Sant Bux
 PATEL, Chandrakant Chhotabhai
 RAO, Belpur Balakrishna
 MCNEIL, Joseph Lionel
 NAMBIAR, Konoth Radhakrishnan
 OKORO, Simon Nduka
 LAMODI, Frank Olatunji
 BABALOLA, Isaac Adedokun
 TAYLOR, Donald Verner
 BRAHMBHATT, Kanaiyalal Somabhai
 ASUMADU-SAKYI, Kwabena
 RAHMAN, Habeb-un-
 GREEN, Errington George
 OYESANYA, Tanimowo Oluremilekun
 DUDHIA, Ismail Isop Mahomed
 AZIZ, Shaikh Abdul
 NANTWI, Emmanuel Kwaku
 MUTTALIB, Muhammad Abdul
 ODIASE, John Omashogwa
 OKONGWU, Obi
 MILLINGTON, Rudolph Leopold
 BHATIA, Madan Lal
 BERESFORD, Stanley George
 SHETH, Nanalal Purashotam
 SET, Sarathi Nath
 SINGH, Sakaldip Persad
 PUNGLIYA, Mohan Nensukh
 ALYAL, Malik Safdar Ahmad
 CHUNDRIGAR, Abubakr Ismail
 KOLBERT, Colin Francis
 AHMED, Mohammed Habib
 THA, Kyaw
 FADERO, Daniel Oluwafunmi
 DALY, Dennis Vernon Forrest
 COCKS, David John
 BENNETT, Joyce Veronica
 SAPONG, John Debra
 AINGER, William Dawson
 ADEFARASIN, Cornelius Adeniyi
 OMOLE, John Olatunji
 FOK HIN FAI, Paul
 SKIDMORE, Richard Piers
 RAO, Mohammed Ashfaq Khan

CHINWUBA, Raphael Aguedu
 JOHNSON, Oladipo
 IOMA, John Okoro
 MULI, Mathew Guy
 KHOSLA, Sarjit
 UGBOMA, Michael Olisa
 OLUWOLE, Ayinde
 IBIDAPO-OBE, Kayode
 ANYAEGBUNAM, Benjamin Davidson
 Onwunyili
 RAHMAN, Syed Shah Zeyaur
 SCOTT, Burnham Jon
 AKROYD, Thomas Norman Westhead
 MEIKLE, Shirley Isabelle
 HITCHEN, John David
 KOTUN, Mashood Alade
 GAYLE, Hopetun Haughton
 AKINDELE, Olatunji Akanni
 TOSHUN, Titus Omabamidele
 GOGO, Ashrifie
 PATEL, Kirjibhai Govendbhai
 GYIMAH, Sencherey Attakora
 THOO, Chow Thye
 TOFOWOMO, Samuel Akinnebi
 ABBOTT, Peter Edward
 CHOCHAN, Vinod Valji
 THEODOULOU, Christos Achilles
 JADEJA, Shyamsingh Jalemsingh
 PINTO, Joseph
 BOMANI, Mark Danhi
 LINDSAY, Crawford Callum Douglas
 DARKWA-DWAMIMAH, Yaw Berefo
 NICHOLAS, Simon
 BLAIR, Leo Charles Lynton
 KUMAR, Vinod
 IKEME, Charles Odikasigbue
 DALTON, Patrick Joseph
 MAGEED, Abdul Mageed Hassan Abdel
 KALIMUDDIN
 ADEBANJO, Samuel Ayodele
 SHARMA, Roy
 EZIRI, Michael Onyemaechi
 MUNDELL, Alvin Christoval
 RASHID, Kazi Harunur
 NEOH, Thean Hup
 RASHID, Mir Abdur
 PATEL, Arvindbhai Haribhai
 PATEL, Michael Haribhai
 ODANYE, Michael Olapade
 APPIAH, Ebenezer Evans
 OBASA, Oni
 SHARMA, Bharat Bhushan
 SEONG, Chong Yean

ANIMASHAUN, Nouroudeen Adisa Bolaji
 ROBINSON, Donald Alexander Ashmead
 NWAZUE, Silas Iheukumere
 CHRISTOFIDES, Andreas Savva
 ARCULLI, Ronald Joseph
 ORIKE, Chukudifu Dixon
 SINGH, Mansingh Mohar
 OYEKAN, John Oyewale
 OKAKA, Christopher Aniebonam
 ANSARI, Mohammed Faizuddin
 BERI, Jagdish Rai

21st November

RAYMOND, Churchill Huss Leo
 MANGAT, Inderjeet Singh
 RAFIQUE, Syed Tariq Daud
 KAMARUL ARIFFIN BIN MOHAMED YASSIN
 GOMEZ, Fortunatus Olatunji
 BASTIN, Francis John
 KONG, Ng Chee
 KALE, Olusoyi Ayodele
 SHAH, Syed Abdul Sattar
 KOTHARI, Niranjan Chimanlal
 IBEZIAKO, Emmanuel Akudo
 GEOGHIADES, Andreas Elia
 ADETULA, Zabdiel Olusesan Kolawole
 KHAN, Abdul Wahid Abid
 AYALOGU, Felicia Nwego
 QURAIISHI, Vigar Ahmed
 KEMESSIA, Nemon
 MADANAYAKE, Upali Gatabhaya
 SHAKIR, Sabir Ilahi
 AWOKOYA, Bamidele Olayemi
 KHAN, Zamir Ahmed
 SOTHINATHAN, Kanagasingam
 BAPHANA, Jawarilal Mishrilal
 ISLAM, Mohammed Amier-ul
 OSIKOYA, Rasaki Abiodun
 RAJAH, Kathiravelu Canaga
 GUNNING, Alastair John Alan Bond
 BOAKYE, Isaac Kwasi
 ONYIA, Enebechi Cyril
 PRIMUS, Bernard Victor
 TETTEH, Tawiah
 FERNANDO, Wewalagae Thomas
 Callistus
 JAFRI, Hasan Ahmad
 LEE, Tat Leong
 LIM, Boon Seng
 HUNTER, Archibald Anthony de Courcy
 REHMATULLAH, Hamid Mohammed
 PATERSON, David
 ROBERTSON, John
 RASUL, Anwar Shafqut

AKINYEDE, John Ojo
 IDOWU, Emanuel Ogunbiyi
 HASHMI, Rais Ahmad
 AMAZU, Ikem
 KHAWAJA, Akram Hussain
 NTI, Michael Osei
 KHOO LENG SWEE, Ronald
 AHMED, Abdul Karim Haji
 CRAVEN, Thomas Jack
 LAKHA, Murtaza Ahmed
 DANIELS, Janet
 BORNEO, Kenneth Allan
 ARIYO, David Adebayo
 PATEL, Prabodhchandra Chandubhai
 ALLEN, Aubrey Stanley
 OWUSU-ANSAH, Peter Kwabena
 DAVIES, Gillian
 KALAPESI, Katy Phiroze
 OSEI, William
 AKINTOYE, David Akintola
 ABDUL HAMID BIN AZMI
 ADAM, Ebrahim
 OTUYELU, Olayinka Awotunde
 CURTIS, Michael Lawrence
 ALAM, Kazi Zahurul
 PATIRANA, Charles Vidana
 CHANGI, Mohsin Tayebaly
 DAVIES, Margaret Joy
 MARANZU, Michael Orisakwe
 AKINBOYE, Zaccheus Mahatworiji
 AJEIGBE, Akanbi Gbadegegin
 MATIN, Mirza Abdul
 ADEDURO, Theophilus Omoyele Peter
 ARYEE, Clement Ayikuma
 JONES, Marcus David
 AGGARWAL, Ramesh Lall
 OSIPITAN, Jonathan Adebayo Aderibigbe
 KUFUOR, John Agydkum
 ADEKOYA, Adeboyin
 OTAIKU, Nathaniel Gbolade
 HENRIQUES, Roald Nigel Adrian
 ACHEAMPONG, Anthony Kwame
 DESAI, Vasantray Vallabhbbhai
 COELHO, Gerald Martin
 PATEL, Mahendrabhai Ashabhai

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6th February

LEYSHON, Raymond Whitfield
 GHOSH, Rajat Kumar
 DOKU, William Tekpe
 OKUNOREM, Zaccheus Folahan
 SIDHU, Narinderjit Singh

GILL, Asuquo Edem
 YAHYA WAN BIN PAWAN TEH
 JANMOHAMED, Badr ul Mulk
 MUSTAFFA, Ghulam bin Nadar Ali
 GANESAN, Haridas
 SINGH, Diwain
 KANTARIA, Himatlal Gordhandas
 RAHIM, Mohammed Bakrer Hussien
 PATIL, Malti Sadashiv
 RAZA-SHAH, Syed Hamid
 CREVELLE, Clyde Cecil
 VIRANI, Amirali Kassam
 VADERA, Narendrakant Dayalbhai
 MISHRA, Shree Kant
 MAJEED, Mohamed Elyas
 JOSEPH, King Edward Basil
 Nawanesingam
 OMISORE, Olasoji Ahmed
 KARMALLY, Yusuf Hajimahomed
 ADAMJEE, Fazleali Abdultayab
 TEH, Ee Kheng
 ROACH, Conrad Adolphus
 BARAHIM, Fuad Adbulla
 JOSEPH, Hubert Rupert
 DUPUCH, Eileen Marie
 EVANS, Rupert Arthur Rees
 RATTEE, Donald Keith
 NTUK, Ambrose Akpan Akpan
 BRADLEY, Ian Kennedy
 MAHAMA, George Yise
 MORRITT, Robert Andrew
 KENNARD, Cecil Claude
 MBOJANA, Christopher Colombus
 LIVESEY, Ronald John Dearden
 RAFIQ, Mohammed
 CARTER, David Michael Frederick
 HARPER, Rudolph Haldane
 MOGBOH, Anthony Okoye
 ASAGBA, Tajirinere Anthony
 OZOBUE, Ezebuilo
 BOATENG, William
 SUCHARITKUL, Pintip
 OFILI, McDonald Iwebunaem
 DURRANT, Susan Margaret
 OKPALUBA, John Sonnnadi
 COKER, Adeniyi
 AKINOLA, Akinrinde Oluwayemisi
 ORAH, Adrian Chukuemeka
 PIERRE, Joseph Vaughan Jean
 TURNBULL, George Anthony Twentyman
 FATOKI, Michael Adeyeme
 ADEGOROYE, Julius Adedeji
 OSEI-BONSU, Kwabena Gyimah

FAYOKUN, Ayodele Abimbola
 ABU TALIB BIN OTHMAN
 MOHABIR, Arjuni
 ALI, Mohammad Sohrab
 IBRAHIM, Mustapha
 AGBESANWA, Timothy Kehinde
 AGU, Samuel Ifeanyichuku
 YARDE, Sylvia Elaine
 LEUNG TING FOON, Shirley
 ASHO, Felix Olusegun Ajayi
 BASOAH, Reo Addai
 YIN EE KHENG, Freddy
 ODESANYA, Christopher Olanrewaju
 WOYE, Jacob Adedir
 NIK BIN NIK ALI HUSSAIN

22nd May

PLAYFAIR, Leeland Tennyson
 CHINN, Geoffrey Malcolm
 SATCHITANANDHAM, Wijayaratham
 ROPER, Willie Alphonso
 MARR-JOHNSON, Frederick James
 Maugham
 ODUTOLA, Mosuidi Akintunde
 XAVIER, Doraiswamy Philip
 GOODHEAD, Solomon Frederick
 MEHTA, Rajnikeant Harakhchand
 SOLARIN, Jusuif Olatayo
 EFAH, Kwaku Amponsa
 SHARMA, Narine Prashad
 MULRINE, Daniel John Chrysostom
 MOOKERJEE, Kamalash Prasanna

17th July

OKUSIPE, Samuel Eniola Olabinjo
 BHOI, Artah Singh
 WEERASEKERA, Jayasena
 TENGKU ZAID BIN TENKU ZAKARIA
 MILLER, Edward Lyel
 ANUAR BIN ZAINAL ABIDIN
 CHELLAPPAH, Rajasuriyar
 WICKREMERATNE, Upali Chandrabhaya
 WELLS, Anthony Ernest
 GILL, Jagjit Singh
 CHOWDHURY, Ali Akbar
 WAIYAKI, Lewis Kimani
 PHILIP, Manalil Mathew
 ONAYEMI, Yetunde Olayinka
 SEEPERSAD, Clyde Arthur
 OJIAGO, Gabriel Guguo Iweze
 AZEEZ-OLORUNNIMBE, Isola Adekunle
 EBRAHIM, Ahamed Moosa
 RODWAY, Gilbert
 KAUR, Harwanth
 SHETH, Phanlal Purashstam

MONEKE, Charles Chukwunyelu
 NWAGBOGU, Peter Charles Obi
 OSIBOGUN, Adeyemi Adegboyega
 SHAH, Jaywant Ratilal
 PAL, Perriz
 JUDAH, Peter John
 EWELUKWA, Dennis Ikewueme
 Ogunnwa
 KUKU, Mosurudeen Adebayo
 BARMANIA, Zubeida
 ATTIG, Salih Mohed Ali
 KHOJA, Jusab Ali Sher
 GIOVENE, Laurence
 IRUKWU, Joseph Ogbonnaya
 FRAITES, Arlene Magdalene Ricard
 PAROO, Amirdli Kassamali
 TYLER, Edward Lawson Griffin
 MEHTA, Pramesh Dharamshi
 LATUNJI, Karimu Oladele
 ABLORH, Edward Martin Adjei
 ADENIRAN, Thoeophilus Ola Oluwakitan
 HIRJI, Sherali Merali
 WILSON, Samuel Eustace
 NYIK, Kee Liew
 AJAYI, Olaniwan
 ABIRU, Mubashiru Akanbi Olatunji
 IREDU, Gabriel Ogugua
 LADEGA, Daniel Adetola
 RAWSON, Peter John Selwyn
 JOHNSTON, John Douglas Kartley
 EDODO, Oritsegbiten Popo
 ENWONWU, Frederick Augustine Chike
 KOURA, Virendra Nath
 SINGH, Marcellus Feilden
 MORTON-JACK, David
 BALOGUN, Popoola
 MAVROLEON, Nicholas Basil
 SANI, Ajibade
 FADAHUNSI, Olushola Ayo
 CLARKE, Lancelot Ivanhoe
 KAPOOR, Balmukand
 ARIBISALA, Tauvo
 CHARMANT, Paul Patrick
 ABIOLA, Monilola Agbeke
 LITTLE, Alfred James
 MOFFAT, John
 JEMIDE, Isaac Omiretsuli
 EKO, Frederick Willy
 AZINA-NARTEY, Kobina
 OYEWU, Ajagbe Toriola
 JIWAYI, Ahmedali Yusufali Abdulali
 ZENNY, Frederick Bancroft
 LIM, Cheng Pah

27th November

YAASI, Kweku Sipi
 AJAYI, Olusanya
 SARKER, Bibhuti Bhushan
 ARASARADNAM, Leelamoney
 BHATTESSA, Manohardass Gordhandas
 KHAW, Beng Imm
 SMOUHA, Derrick Maurice
 LUKE, Desmond Edgar Fashole
 YONG, Yung Sui
 PATIL, Yashavant Vithal
 AHMAD, Iqbal
 QURAISHI, Ashiq Ali
 RAJKUMAR, Selvadurai
 SINGH, Rambir Awtar
 NAZARETH, Gerald Paul
 HASSAN BIN HAJI MOHAMED YUNOS
 DAUD, Shaik Mohamed Ismail Shaik
 THOMPSON, Gloria Alairie
 TETTEY, Kwame Odei
 FETUGA, Rasheed Gbadebo
 AJAYI, Johnson Olufemi
 ADEMILOLA, Samson Ola
 HUGHES, Carl Alan Arnold
 RUGARABAMU, Richard William George
 ANYADUBA, Benedict Okechukwu
 VADGAMA, Liladhur Vithaldas
 FAKEYE, Olusola Oluwole
 UMOZURIKE, Umozurike Oji
 ULLAH, Muhammad Azmat
 OLADUJI, Bandele Oladiran
 DATTANI, Tulsidas Valabhdas
 MENSAH, Kwabena Duncan
 ANYANWU, Julius Sabinus
 KHAN, Mohammed Azam
 WALUSIMBI-KAKEMBO, Frederick
 COATES, Roy Charles
 WALLIS, Brenda May
 SINGHVI, Gulab Mall
 SUTHERLAND, Marie Julie
 LAMBO, Aaron Adeshina
 SONOIKU, Idawu Owdalbi
 OJO, Samuel Ladosu
 ALFONJA, Sidney Adeyemo
 MITCHELL, William Fitzpatrick
 GANDESHA, Himatlal Ghusalal
 HANSEN, John Francis Smith
 RATHORE, Khawaja Shaukat Ali
 RAHMAN, Razzaq
 AMECHI, Euna Eileen Augusta
 MAJUNDAR, Rabir Kumar
 CHINKE, Sunday Ojenonweya
 RAYMOND, Edward Marshall

JONES, Clifford Leonard
 SHAH, Ramniklal Khimji
 ST HILL, Carl Leroy
 HASSAN, Abul Fazal Ruhullah
 COUNTER, Kenneth Norman Samuel
 SLATER, Charles Stewart
 AJIBOLA, Bolasodun Adesumbo
 APEE, Gilbert Kwabena
 SEBALU, Paulo
 IDAMIEBI, Israel Amabara
 OSINUSI, Wahabi Olaniran
 KUPOLUYI, Christopher Olutayo
 PATEL, Nanubhai Keshavji
 EKUMANKAMA, Onu
 QADIR, Shirin Manzur
 TAN, Chow Peng
 MUKHERJEE, Dulal
 FOLAYAN, James Oladiran
 ADEUSI, Adejimi
 LAJIDE, Mojidi Olalekan
 PANDAY, Basdeo
 OGUNLEYE, Gabriel Adebuseyi
 PERMANAND, Sachidanand
 RAFIQUE-UL-HUQ
 BHUYAN, Tafazzal Ahamed
 PATEL, Suliman Mahomed

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GAYA, Iqbal Kasim
 MURRAY, Archibald Russell
 SINGH, Gurdial Bakan
 OPPON, James Kwesi
 AZINGE, Daniel Kadinma
 DIXON-FYLE, Samuel Josephus Richmond
 KHAYAT, John Victor
 HUSSAIN, Nazmul
 SALAM, Abdus
 OKONKWO, Cyril Onyeisi
 SHANMUGANATHAN, Kondiah
 TAPYA, Shabir Abdulhusein
 LESTER, Anthony Paul
 SURENDRANATH, Damodaran Nair
 ADELOYE, Solomon Folarin
 WESTON, Clive Alfred
 YAZDANI, Ghulam
 OSHODI, Fatai Amao
 AKINWUNMI, Emmanuel Oludele
 IBEZIM, Silvanus Nwabani
 ACHIKE, Godwill Ndublusi
 OBIKPO, Godfrey Igboanugo
 SENKYIRE, Baffour Kwabena
 UMEH, Gabriel Akatu

ALI, Mohammad
 JOHNSON, Theophilus Mobolaji
 OMUOREH, Robert Ogu
 MITRA, Ajoy Kumar
 YOUNG, Eileen Margaret
 BUTLER, John Spencer
 MALIK, Waheed-ud-Din
 MUNASINGHE, Leelananda Sepala
 NWOGU, Ifronu Tagbo
 POBEE, John Brown Orleans
 SLADEN, Michael
 LUGUTERAH, Asuchewa Agyonbura
 FAKOREDE, John Ola
 SEN, Sukumar
 SOREMI, Michael Oyebola
 ABDULHUSEIN, Shamsuddin Taherali
 IFELOWO, Gilbert Olufemi
 TULLOCH, Francis Anthony
 MALLICK, Prodosh Kumar
 AJALA, Joseph Bayo
 OLATEJU, Abibulai Aremu Olanrewaju
 ONIGBANJO, Kehinde Mudashiru
 Olabode
 LONEY, Guyton Collin
 LONGE, Kenneth Oladipo
 DUKU, Dominic Kwabena
 LAOUTAS, Petros Constantinou
 AKINWANDE, Segun
 HAJI TENGGU YACCOB BIN TENGGU
 MOHAMMED SALLEH
 RAYNOLD, Jean
 GUHA, Santi
 NABUDERE, Dan Walyemira
 ONAFOWOKAN, Oladunni
 McCONVILLE, Donald Alexander
 ASMAL, Abdul Kader
 BROWN, Edward Frank Ifeatu
 KAWU, Saidu
 ADEWUYI, Emanuel Adeyemo
 MUHAMMAD, Muazu
 MBANEFO, Ansa Edet
 PATEL, Dinkar Chandulal Kalidas
 WALES, Sidney John
 WATTERS, Anthony Lingward
 TREON, Sudesh Kumar
 MMIEH, Anthony Kwasi
 KHAN, Taj Mohammad
 MARTIN, Rochford
 SOBOWALE, Abraham Sanu
 ARTEMIDES, Christos Costa
 LIM, Seah Eng
 OBARO, Isaiah Abonyi
 SILVA, Alpheus Olaseinde

SOKAN, Alexander Taiwo
 EYITAYO, Joseph Ayodele
 ZACHARIAS, Vellappallil Curiakose
 WAN MOHAMED BIN WAN MUSTAPHA
 OGUNBAIGBE, Isaac Abiola
 ERINNE, Benjamin Nnaemeka
 ARIORI, Afolabi Adedeji
 ALATISHE, Hairat Aderinsola
 BARTHAKWR, Anil Ratan
 IBIDAPO, Caroline Morenike
 DATTA, Pijush Kanti
 EDWUEME, Ambrose Igbonekwu
 KHOO, Leang Huat
 OGUAGHA, Simon Chude
 HAQUE, Dewan Naimul
 UDE, Humphrey Nlemadim
 STAVROU, Chrysanthos
 D'MELLO, John Louis

14th May

DAMJI, Hassanali Alimohamed
 MORRISON, Monica Alene
 SUMNER, David Moorcroft
 NAZERALI, Abdulmalek Valimohamed
 Mohamedali

PUNJANI, Ahbarali Hirji
 PRATAP, Ashok Chhaganlal
 LUKERA, Joseph Moses
 CHIN, Yung Yett
 OZA, Govindram Jeshanker
 HUSBANDS, Parry Jones
 CHIN, Fook Yen
 GWAM, Joseph Dike
 KASSAM, Nurdin Mohamedali

9th July

RASHID, Abu Ahmed Abzalur
 ADENIRAN, Ademola Olayinka
 HUQ, Quadi Mohammad Enamul
 KITAMIRIKE, Edred Jacob
 Musajalumbwa
 IBRAHIM, Karl Kelwyn
 OTUKA, James Ibe Joshua
 TRIPATHY, Antaryami
 AYISI, Akua Asaabea
 McLEAN, Leonard Horace
 CHANDISINGH, Ralph Eustace
 KEE, Daniel
 DASON, Peter Paul
 LIM, Teong Chuan
 JACOB, Isaac Ellis
 NTIA, Effiong Joseph
 AUSTIN, Arnott Beresford
 BAILEY, Maysi Ann
 NADARAJAN, s/o Perumal

SOMOYE, John Oluwole
 TANDON, Mary Olwia
 PATTERSON, Douglas Bernard
 CHIN SEE, William Karl
 SAEFARLIE, Lashley Anthony
 VINCENT, Sydney Erastus
 LIGHTMAN, Gavin Anthony
 AKA, Augustine Akinola Akinwande
 SAHGAL, Anjali
 ABULGASIM, Hashim Mohamed
 GHAFUR, Kemal John
 MCKAIN, Averil Eloise
 BLACK, James MacLimont Kirkpatrick
 ABLETT, Robert Edgar
 PARKER, Leila Eloise
 GAISIE, Cecilia Afran
 KITYO, Wilson Katambu Musisi
 BISHOP, Aubrey FitzRonal
 OSEW, Emmanuel Arnold
 ATANDA, Eniola Akanmu
 BROWN, Ruby Avonie
 PIRACHA, Fida Mohammed
 JUDAH, Anthony Bruce Basden
 RAMAIYA, Ramjitsinh Hansraj
 TYSON, Charles Arthur Lincoln
 BRANFORD, Uldrick Milton
 CHING, Keow Geen
 KHAN, Iqbal Ahmad
 MAUNDY, Cyril Lucien
 BABALOLA, Emmanuel Afe
 SIDHU, Thara Singh
 BASU, Dipak
 MITCHELL-HEGGS, Anthony Barrett
 EMOLE, Ndem
 ENNISON, Thomas
 SAWYER, George Fashole Akilagpa
 ONABANJO, Jacob Olatunji
 DAVIS, James Anthony
 HARROD, Henry Mark
 OFOR, Godwin Afuluekeanya
 Christopher
 MOHAMMED YUSUF BIN ABDUL RASHID
 PAYNE, Carlisle Sylvester
 SELWYN, John Jasper
 DUROSOMO, Benjamin Adesina
 CHOO, Eng Khoon
 ARFIN, Mansoorul
 BALL, Andrew Edward Campbell
 EKANEM, Ekanem Ita
 DE SILVA, Uswattage Don Bertram,
 BEAUBRUN, Paula Frances
 FERNANDEZ, Gerald
 RAY, Pranab Kumar

AWONIYI, Lanrewaju Ayodele
 ESAN, Olabamiji Olubunmi
 EDOO, George Anthony
 KANDA, B. Surinder Singh
 OLUYEDE, Peter Adetunmibi
 LASOYE, Motolani Akanbi Zulhaj
 EJIMOFOR, Flavian Umunakwe
 OGUNLEYE, Ayoola Oluwole
 SANNI, Isaka Abiodun
 ABDULLAH BIN NGAH
 MOHAMED EUSOFF BIN CHIN
 OKEAYA-INNEH, Kolawole Shola
 LIM, Seng Cheow
 DAS, Nanda Kishore
 AWOLIYI, Olawole Abayomi
 RASHID, Abdur
 AKAEKE, Stephen Adaka
 OLAYENI, Olanrewaju
 ABDUL AZIZ BIN ABDULLAH

26th November

OKEREKE, Peter Cukwudima
 LADAK, Shamshudin Jaffer
 TUCHINDA, Udom
 MASCARENHAS, Bernard Cajetan
 PARKER, Shirley Ann
 KANNANGARA, Ronald Leslie
 ABU MANSOR BIN ALI
 BENTLY, David Jeffrey
 RYCKETTS, Barlow Aristyde
 POWELL, Geraldine Evadne
 EGBUNIKE, Christopher Ofokansi
 JATOI, Hafiz-Ullah Khan
 DOZIE, Rosita Adaego
 RAMANUJAN, Avadai
 BOSTON, Pierre Perkin Cann
 OYE, Christopher Olasupo
 ACKAH, Moses Ayebia
 YGORJI-DINKA, Philip Fongum
 KELLY, Sumra
 ROY, Kishore Chandra Jaqadeb
 JOSHI, Navmitlal Jatashanker
 ODUYE, Mahood Agbolade
 AYOMANOR, Augustine Edigbe
 KAPOOR, Shanti Sarup
 KHAN, Abdul Manir
 OFORI-BOATENG, Josiah
 JAQUES, Geoffrey Wilfred
 KULATILAKE, Elandaridewa Seetin
 Piyatissa
 SURI, Yasin-ul-Rahman Khan
 SAID, Zahid
 ALADE, Benjamin Oluwadare
 DAVIS, Lyndell George Montague

FAFIADÉ, Gilbert Adedapo
 MEER, Yacoob Eusuf
 GROVE, John Alexander Richard
 UDUNSI, Victor Oluwolé
 ADELUSI, Albert Olumide
 PHILLIPS, Marisa
 SAMBO, Muhammad Abubakar
 LAGUNJU, Michael Ladipo
 AMADI, John Osugo
 TINUBU, Kafaru Oluwolé
 AMLOT, Roy Douglas
 SHAH, Rasiklal Kalidas Hirji
 ADEFALA, Adetutu Olayinka
 KABIWU, Fatai Olayinka
 AHMAD, Rafuid-Dun
 TURNER-HOLLIS, Gillian Mary
 AKINNAWO, Juliana Oladiwura
 MIRZA, Saeed Arif
 OYERO, Babatunde Atanda
 KAPUR, Surendra Kumar
 ARCHER, Ian De Vere
 OLAGUNJU, Ezekiel Adebayo
 ONYEAHASI, Felix Sunday
 SYED KECHIK BIN SYED MOHAMMAD
 KASUNMU, Alfred Bandele
 OCANSEY, Doris Akler
 FADOJU, Marcus Akinyemi
 ABIMBOLA, Lashebikan
 YIANNAKAS, Apostolos Michael
 AKINYEMI, Akinrinde Alfred
 KETIKU, Gilbert Adeoye
 CAMPBELL, Ainsworth Washington
 BRIGGS, Christopher Pete
 VAZIRANI, Hari Assanmal

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4th February

TIRU-CHELVAM, Reginald
 RUB, Mohammad Abdur
 GILL, Pajan Singh
 RIZVI, Syed Iqbal Haida
 KOTECHE, Manharlal Odhavji
 HO, Ung Hun
 SHRAGER, Michael John
 MAHADEO, Carol Radhika
 WARRINGTON, Michael Thomas Cromer
 MUKHOTY, Gobindalal
 STANLEY, Ian James
 KULAR, Daljit Singh
 GHOSH, Baidya Nath
 JAIYESIMI, Afolabi Olusanya
 ODUNAIKE, Emmanuel Adbayo
 WEE HAN KIM, Wilfred

NJELITA, Joseph Chukwudelbelu
 AJOSE, Alabi
 AIKAWA, Sani Salith
 WALI, Abubakar Bashir
 IFEGWU, Kalu
 GUNATILLEKE, Ranjith
 AMUI, Joseph Obliquequaye
 TUCKEY, Simon Lane
 FALUSI, Reuben Adeniyi
 LATINWO, Adebayo Osuolale
 OLUNWA, Michael Enwelim
 AKINTAN, Sunday Akinola
 KULARATNA, Mervyn
 AHMED, Masood
 MCKAY, Anthony Upton
 DE SILVA, Ruwanpura Deepal Chulanie
 POPOOLA, Moses Akanbi Bode
 ADEBOYE, Edmund Adeyemi
 THOMPSON, Edward Albert
 ADEKOYA, Michael Adeoye
 ALI, Muhammad Mohar
 ANYADUBA, Louis Obiekwe
 AKUBEZE, Michael Ifeanyi
 MAIDAMMA, Umar
 AHMAD, Mobarak
 BLACKMAN, Donald George
 LEE, Donald
 FALADE, Samuel Adeleke
 SARDIWALLA, Omar Farouk Ismail
 OWOBIYI, Francis Adekunle
 JAAFAR BIN HASSAN
 BRAR, Kirpal Singh
 TAIWO, Ezekiel Adeyemi
 KIMICHA, Mark Peter Kabiella
 FLANNERY, Patrick

28th April

OGUNADE, Julius Oladipo
 HOFFMAN, Paul Maxim Laurence
 BLACKMAN, Ivor Cornelius
 SEBESTYEN, Gabriel Oscar Alan
 GUPTA, Bhaskar Prasad
 FINNIH, Olufolajinmi Modupe
 RAJKUMAR, Wilfred
 ALEX-ONI, Ibitola Adebisi
 AYOADE, Raufu Emiola Makanjuola
 NIK SAGHIS BIN MOHAMED NOOR
 AZIZ-UR-RAHMAN

23rd June

MANGATAL, Joseph Thomas
 BATIR, Mohammed
 SINHA, Dilip Kumar
 SHAIKH, Shujaiddin Gulamnabi
 SINGH, Shiv Charan

SIMMONDS, Keith Arthur
 SUCHAK, Shirish Tulshidas
 WALKER, Clarence William
 HEATH, Roy Aubrey Kelvin
 KUSI-MENSAH, Pepa
 CHOUDHURY, Serajul Islam
 RAJAKUMARAN, Anthonipillai Basil
 BANJOKO, Samuel Ayodele Olatunde
 ADESINA, Olajunji Okeyode
 OBILEYE, Rasaki Olayinka
 KHAN, Abul Khair
 ALABI, Theophilus Abiodun
 AGGARWAL, Hans Raj
 ANIFALAJE, Lawrence Oljide
 ODELUSI, Caleb Adebayo
 SUBRAMANIAM, Dhevaji
 BABANJI, Eric Adeoye Babatunde
 SOLUADE, Lawrence Jolaoso
 ATOBATELE, Obasola
 OFUNNE, Sylvanus Ngozi
 ADEYEMO, Rufus Sunday Adedayo
 TSELINGAS, Christophoros
 Charalambous
 HOPKINSON, Josiah
 BARRETT, Roylan Bancroft
 MATHUR, Anant Prakash
 ANDRADE, Glen Roy Benjamin
 SAMUELS, John Edward Anthony
 CHONG YIK LEONG, John
 WEBB, Robin Edward Austin
 ABDULLAH, Sadigali Esmailjee
 MITTER, Hirak Kumar
 OJOMO, Simeon Sunday Adedoyin
 HOWELLS, Cenydd Iorwerth
 ALEXANDER, Ian Douglas Gavin
 SHAHID, Abul Faiz Mohammed
 JEGADEVAN, Nadchatiram
 TAYLOR, Shirley Eugenie
 FATUNGASE, Samson Olaseni
 TOPHAM, Geoffrey John
 SEEPAUL, Okhar
 CHEN, James Christopher
 GRAY, Joseph Cuthbert
 FERNANDEZ, Eustace Akinola
 OGUNNOWO, Joseph Gbolade
 LUI, Boon Poh
 CRAWFORD, Marcel Christopher
 KATTAN, Antone Tewfiq Mathia
 ANIEMENA, Godfrey Joseph Nwabufu
 BURGESS, Newton Augustus
 ROY, Jyotsna Kumar
 PHILLIPS, Paul Evelyn
 BATTERSBY, Graham

OYETUNDE, Mofoye
 RIDGE, Jennifer Victoria
 TAYLOR, George Baird
 BADE, Abdullah Abdulhamid
 EKEMA, George Simon
 AHMED, Kazi Kamaluddin
 ONIFADE, Victoria Oluremi
 OBURU, Emmanuel Awa
 ZORBAS, Panayiotis Christopher
 YEOH, Kean Hua
 ELLIOTT, Michael Henderson
 OLASOPE, Joseph Afolabi
 DAVIES, John Glandon
 KANAGANAYAGAN, Kanaq Israrar
 EKUNDARE, Richard Olufemi
 OYEFESO, Adedapo
 SHOFU, Amida Bolaji
 HASSAN BIN ISHAK
 IDRIS BIN YUSOFF
 JUMP, Michael Edward Pearson
 24th November
 MAZLAN BIN JAMALUDDIN
 SINCLAIR, Elouise Amelia
 SUCHAK, Avinash Tulsidas
 RAY, Kuruna Sankar
 ARCHAMPONG, Alfred Quao-Ashong
 MWANAKATARE, John Mupanga
 DAVIS, Austin Lloyd Francis
 OKOR, Victor Madupe
 HEWLETT, Edgar Allan Caradoc
 WOODLIFFE, John Christopher
 JACOBS, Gilbert Poplla
 CHAI, Fook Kow
 KAWERE, Puis Sempa
 AGUDA, Olawadare Olaiya
 SIBI-OKUMA, John Abraham
 HUNT, Peter John
 TUNKU MUKHTAR BIN TUNKU YA'ACOB
 ODULANA, Emanuel Adekoya Omotayo
 FRENCH, Ralph John
 HECTOR, Richard Alphonso
 NNADI, Ogbonna Tennyson
 PERSAD, Harrinandan Perbhodial
 ROMAO, John Wesley
 ADEWUSI, Emmanuel Abolade
 OMISADE, Alphonso Olukayode
 BADEN-POWELL, Ingrid Imogen Sylvia
 OBADINA, Oludade Oladapo
 NWOBOSI, Eugene Chukwuemeka
 YAU, Meng Fai
 LAKHAN, Harder Singh
 ALI, Muhammed Korban
 BRITTON, Peter Samuel

WICKREMASINGHE, Twanka Nehil
 ADEMOSU, Samuel Adejobi
 ALONGE, Moses Babatunde
 NABI, Kazi Shahidun
 ASOMUGHA, Ephraim Maduelosi
 PARK, Andrew Edward Wilson
 ADENJI-ADELE, Tasilimat Kofoworola
 PARSONS, Ralph
 ABEYESEKERE, Nalim Jayantha
 IJAODOLA, Joseph Oyewole
 PATWARY, Mansur Ahmad
 KARUGAU, James Boro
 FARANI, Meerajuddin
 NANDAN, Satya Nand
 DALY, George Francis Alexander

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SACHITHANANDAN, Vallipuram
 LYONS, Alvin Hugh
 WONG, Chok Meng
 SHAHI, Sarwan Singh
 SHINDE, Anandrao Ramchandra
 CHAUHAN, Jayantkumar Popatlal
 DEB, Surit
 ODETOYINBO, Stephen Adekunle
 ABAECHETA, Christopher Nwakauna
 ALI, Muhammed Kaloma
 EDWARDS, Alvin Barrington
 LAU, May Buong Yu
 OKEKE, Gibson Okwudili
 KANDAN, Letchumi
 NDUAGUBU, John Anauda
 DAVIES, Daniel Augustus Oguntola
 MISIR, Harry Naraine
 SUHAIMI BIN DATO HAJI KAMARUDDIN
 OBARO, Samuel Sunday
 ANUMONYE, David Eziolisa
 MOORTHY, Velupillai Krishna
 AHANEKU, Francis Mbaama
 LO, Wan
 OJESHINA, Alfred Olalekan
 SINGH, David Hardutt
 ASARIA, Hassanali Nurmohamed
 HO HOCK-KIM, Robert
 YIPTONG, Jean Chan Tam Ling
 AKINSANYA, Afolabi Olarbigbe
 DRUCKER, Thomas Charles
 TARIMO, Timothy John Ray
 YUSUF, Amenur Rahman
 WALSH, Steven James Franklyn
 SOTUNDE, Solomon Olatunji
 LAMBIDES, Demetrios Charalambous

ALFA, Garba
 BOYCE, Chezley Rosevyn
 KAMERE, Joseph Kaman
 HEAD, John Kenneth
 SHARMA, Madam Gopal
 DASS, Premchand Jagdeo
 BANSAL, Ashoke Kumar
 OTI, Grace Emenda
 ARIF, Mohammad
 CHETTY, Pab Chinnappa
 RAYANI, Jimmy Jive
 GREYSTOKE, Andrew Lawrence
 JOHNSON, Ernest Manfield
 CHONG, Siew Fai
 NARAYANAN, Velekkatt Krishnan Saukara

18th May

O'CONNOR, John Francis
 HUQ, Abul Hasanat Mohammed Fazlul
 CHAMBERS, Douglas Robert
 MARAJ, Heytram
 DODD, William Arthur
 BRETTON, George Rex
 KOLAWOLE, Adebisi
 BROWN, Egbert Kirk
 SAHEB, Pulavar Latheef
 Ebrahimnallamohamedkalanjam
 Mohamed Ibrahim
 AMATHALLY, Allan Alfred Vincent
 Golawelly
 HOWARD, Hugh Eustace Leslie
 ZAHIR, Muhammad
 CONNELL, John Andrew
 AGYEI-BOATEY, Kwame

20th July

ROWE, Harry Moore
 TAY, Kuan Teck
 BRAR, Pritam Singh
 HANNAH, Margaret
 GIBSON, Pauline Erica
 CARTER, Leone Elizabeth
 RANI, Chandrakanta
 KAINE, Felicia Uzoehina
 OLADIMEJI, Cornelius Adefemi
 WICKEN, Bryan Keith
 ALBERGA, Allan Earl
 ADEMBESA, Nathan
 OGUNLEYE, Emmanuel Kayode
 ADELANA, Samuel Ademola
 COTTER, Brigid Mary
 PATEL, Pramod Jashbhai Dahyabhai
 ITA, Okokan
 GORDON, Uel Denison
 LONDON, Hyman Ignatius

SEATON, Caldwell Bancroft
 DARK, Eric Francis
 MORRIS, David Griffiths
 BRODERICK, Michael John Lee
 AGARD, Calvin Vesta
 AWONIYI, Maruice Oladele
 CHAN, Hong Kiow
 NEITA, Kenneth Churchill
 SACHWANI, Khadija Ebrahim
 DARLOW, Alfred Ruff
 ZAITOON BINTI OTHMAN
 RETI-FORBAT, Veronica Eve
 ROY-CHOUDHURY, Purnendu
 ADEKOYA, Joshua Gbolade
 HASSAN, Syed Farooq Azim
 JACOVIDES, Katia Linou
 KOLAWOLE, Ekundayo
 RUSLI BIN MOHAMED NOR
 MASTER, Meher Kaikhushroo
 OOZEERALLY, Mohammad Elias
 EGOLE, Cosmos Chukwuma
 SALAMAT, Pir Buxx
 WONG WAN CHIU, Ignatius
 KAZAURE, Zakari
 KOLADE, Samuel Adetunji
 HORDATT, Neville Worthington
 GARRARD, Timothy Francis Clement
 HOOKWAY, Christopher Gordon
 ABRAHAM, Walter Wilfred
 ANTONIO, Grace Tolani Oyerinke
 COOKE, Julian Humphrey Spencer
 OBIYEMI, Alfred Olakanmi Ayoola
 TAY, Leong Siak
 OLANIPEKUN, Saka Banji
 MILLICHAP, Donald
 GNANARAJAH, Ayathurai
 GOLDSON, Hadie Ellen
 AKPABIO, Justin Thompson
 ROACH, Pearlne Hyacinth
 OLAGUNJU, Rufus Ariyo
 KASSAM, Suleman
 KAO KENG SENG, Ruth
 EDWARDS, Lydia Beryl
 JOWHAL, Satpal Singh
 MENEZES, Roldau Dominic
 JASAT, Farouk
 AGARD, Kenneth Godfrey
 CASSEL, Timothy Felix Harold
 BRADSHAW, Alexander Hugh
 IZUAKO, Nathan Obumneme
 KUMO, Sulaiman
 KUTIGI, Idrisu Legbo
 RAVAT, Virendranath

MAHALINGAM, s/o Muthukrishnen
 MATTHEWS, Errol Augustine
 OYINLADE, Bamidele
 WAN ENDUT BIN MAHMOOD
 HANCOCK, David
 BHINJEE, Anwar Ali
 WUTOH, Jonathan Amponson
 TRAFFORD-WALKER, Gilbert
 HUGHES, Anthony Dowdall
 HUSAIN, Altf
 JAGGER, Richard
 LEE CHIU MING, Martin
 JAIYESIMI, Sonii-Oluwa Ayowale
23rd November
 COBBETT, George Slous
 EWUSI-WILSON, Kodwo
 QUARESHIE, Richard
 KING, Robert George Cecil
 HOMER, Hulbert Ewart Fitzmorris
 MITRA, Nirmalendu Nath
 TEMBA, Aloisi Willy
 DEY, Randolph Edward
 OLAWOYE, Similola Agbolade
 JOANNIDES, Pymalion Andreas
 ECONOMOU, George Costas
 UKPANAH, Asuuquo John
 HINDS, Charles Fitzarnold
 BAMGBAIYE, Joseph Akinbayo
 Oluwole
 ABLACK, Shastrie
 LIM SOO CHENG, Robert
 AKANDE, Oladiti
 NOWROJEE, Pheroze Eruch
 ADAMS, Odel Oscar
 REID, James Robert
 WAKAI, Nyo
 SHARMA, Dinayrwhar Naraine
 BHOOLAI, Kamla
 AJIBADE, Michael Adediran
 APPAVOO, Soondra Moorthi
 RAJASINGAM, Rasiah
 MENDELSON, Maurice Harvey
 BUNGUDU, Usman Dangoggo
 AKINNUOYE-AGBAJE, Baronet Olusola
 BANERJEA, Bharati
 JACKSON, Tudor
 LEWIS, Michael Henry
 ADEFEHINTI, Francis Oyinola
 MISTRY, Gulabbhai
 HARNANAN, Ivan Carlyle
 BAZIE, Tracey Anderson
 KOKU, Augustus Oladele
 SALMON, Rudolph Archibald

BAILEY, John Nicholas
 ADEOGUN, Anthony Adeyemi
 MULICK, Jehangir Akbar
 GUMEDE, Mavis Dorothy
 MITSIDES, George Petros
 GUNASEKERA, Mohini Indira

ADEFILA, James Oyeniyi
 SULEIMAN BIN HASHIM
 KASSAM, Gulsham Popat
 CONSTANTINIDES, Efsthathios
 Christophaki
 CHATSIKAH, Lewis Alexander

HONORARY BENCHERS 1914–1965

Honorary Benchers in August 1914

<i>Election</i>		<i>Death</i>
1889	Rt. Hon. Lord Courtney of Penwith, P.C. Former Speaker of the House of Commons	1918
1893	Rt. Hon. Viscount Morley, O.M., P.C.	1923
1896	Rt. Hon. Lord Rathmore, P.C.	1919
1909	Rt. Hon. Sir Lawrence Hugh Jenkins, K.C.I.E.	1928
1914	Rt. Hon. Viscount Bryce, O.M., P.C.	1922
1914	Sir Henry Mortimer Durand, G.C.M.G., K.C.S.I., K.C.I.E.	1924

Honorary Benchers elected in the period 1914–1965

1919	Francis William Pember Warden of All Souls College, Oxford 1914–1932 Son of Edward Henry Pember, Q.C. Treasurer 1896	1954
1922	Sir Robert Forsyth Scott Master of St. John's College, Cambridge	1933
1924	Rt. Hon. Lord Alness, P.C., G.B.E. Lord Justice-Clerk of the Court of Session	1955
1927	Rt. Hon. Lord Sinha, K.C.S.I.	1928
1929	Rt. Hon. Sir Binod Mitter	1930
1930	Rt. Hon. Viscount Bennett, P.C., K.C. Prime Minister of Canada, 1930–1935	1947
1931	Hon. Oliver Wendell Holmes Associate Justice, Supreme Court of U.S. 1902–1932	1935
1932	<i>Permitted number of Honorary Benchers raised from 6 to 10</i>	
1932	Rt. Hon. Viscount Bruce of Melbourne, P.C., C.H. Prime Minister of Australia 1923–1929	1967
1932	Rt. Hon. Sir Dinshah Fordunji Mulla	1934
1932	Hon. Newton W. Rowell, K.C. President, Canadian Bar Association 1932–1934 Chief Justice of Ontario 1936–1938	1941

<i>Election</i>		<i>Death</i>
1934	Lord Justice Best Court of Appeal, Northern Ireland	1939
1935	Henry Arthur Hollond, D.S.O. Rouse Ball Professor of English Law, University of Cambridge	1974
1937	Rt. Hon. Neville Chamberlain, M.P.	1940
1938	Arthur Lehman Goodhart Professor of Jurisprudence, University of Oxford	1978
1939	Rt. Hon. Mukund Ramrao Jayakar	1959
1941	Harlan Fiske Stone Associate Justice 1925–1941; Chief Justice 1941–1946 United States Supreme Court	1946
1944	Geoffrey Chevalier Cheshire Vinerian Professor of English Law, University of Oxford	1978
1945	Hon. Sir Muhammad Zafrulla Khan, K.C.S.I. President, International Court of Justice	1985
1945	Field Marshal Rt. Hon. Earl Alexander of Tunis, K.G., P.C., O.M., G.C.B.	1969
1945	General Dwight Eisenhower	1969
1945	Admiral of the Fleet Rt. Hon. Viscount Cunningham of Hyndhope, K.T., O.M., G.C.B.	1963
1946	Frederick Moore Vinson Chief Justice, United States Supreme Court	1953
1946	M. Donnedieu de Vabres French Judge at Nuremburg	1952
1952	Dean Acheson U.S. Secretary of State	1971
1958	Patrick William Duff Regius Professor of Civil Law, University of Cambridge	1991
1959	Sir Carleton Kemp Allen, Q.C., D.C.L.	1966
1963	Sir Kenneth Gresson, K.B.E. President, Court of Appeal, New Zealand	1974
1964	Whitney North Seymour Past President, American Bar Association	1983
1964	Professor Sir William Wade, Q.C., F.B.A.	
1964	Rt. Hon. Sir Garfield Barwick Chief Justice, High Court of Australia	1997
1965	Sir Patrick Henry Dean, G.C.M.G. U.K. Ambassador in Washington	1994

BENCHERS OF LINCOLN'S INN AT THE END OF 1965

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T. = Treasurer

- Nov. 1956 H.R.H. PRINCESS MARGARET ROSE, COUNTESS OF SNOWDON, C.I., G.C.V.O.: T. 1967
- Jul. 1932 *Rt. Hon. Viscount BRUCE OF MELBOURNE, C.H., M.C.*
- Jun. 1920 Hon. Sir Cyril ATKINSON (1874–1967): T. 1942
- Jun. 1935 *Professor Henry Arthur HOLLOND, D.S.O., O.B.E.*
- Jul. 1945 *General Dwight EISENHOWER, O.M.*
- Jul. 1945 *Field Marshal Earl ALEXANDER OF TUNIS, K.G., G.C.B., O.M.*
- Jul. 1938 *Professor Arthur Lehman GOODHART, K.B.E. (Hon), Q.C.*
- Apl. 1927 Wilfrid Mortimer HUNT (1871–1967): T. 1947
- Nov. 1927 His Honour Sir Tom EASTHAM, Q.C. (1879–1967): T. 1948
- Jun. 1929 Rt. Hon. Viscount SIMONDS (1881–1971) (Lord Chancellor 1951–1954): T. 1951.
- Dec. 1932 Cecil Willie TURNER (1874–1967): T. 1952
- Jan. 1932 Rt. Hon. Lord MORTON OF HENRYTON, M.C. (1887–1973): T. 1952
- Jan. 1934 Rt. Hon. Lord COHEN (1888–1973): T. 1954
- Jul. 1935 His Honour Judge John Norman DAYNES, Q.C. (1884–1966): T. 1956
- Nov. 1937 Hon. Sir Ronald Francis ROXBURGH (1889–1981): T. 1957
- Jan. 1938 Rt. Hon. Lord EVERSLED (1899–1966) (Master of the Rolls 1949–1962): T. 1958.
- Nov. 1938 Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Eustace HARMAN (1894–1970): T. 1959, 1960.
- Jan. 1941 Rt. Hon. Sir Harold Otto DANCKWERTS (1888–1978): T. 1962
- Jul. 1943 Rt. Hon. Sir John William BEAUMONT, Q.C. (1877–1974): T. 1963
- Mar. 1944 Rt. Hon. Lord DENNING (1899–1999) (Master of the Rolls 1962–1982): T. 1964.

- Jan. 1948 Rt. Hon. Lord UPJOHN (1903–1971): T. 1965
- Jan. 1933 His Honour Richard Augustus WILLES (1881–1966)
- Nov. 1944 *Professor Geoffrey Chevalier CHESHIRE, D.C.L.*
- Mar. 1940 George Rivers BLANCO WHITE, Q.C. (1883–1966)
- Jan. 1942 Arthur Frederick Andrew COLE (1883–1969)
- Nov. 1942 Hon. Sir Stephen Gerald HOWARD (1896–1973)
- Apl. 1943 Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Robert Ritchie ROMER, O.B.E. (1897–1969)
- Apl. 1945 *Hon. Sir Muhammad ZAFRULLA KHAN, K.C.S.I.*
- May 1944 Charles Leonard FAWELL, D.S.C. (1883–1972)
- Nov. 1944 Sir Thomas Joseph STRANGMAN, Q.C. (1873–1971)
- Apl. 1945 Rt. Hon. Lord JENKINS (1899–1969)
- Nov. 1947 Rt. Hon. Lord PARKER OF WADDINGTON (1900–1972)
(Lord Chief Justice of England 1958–1971)
- Jul. 1948 Rt. Hon. Sir Benjamin ORMEROD (1890–1974)
- Oct. 1948 Rt. Hon. Lord PEARCE (1901–1990): T. 1966
- Jul. 1949 Hon. Sir Denys Burton BUCKLEY (1906–1998) (Rt. Hon. 1970):
T. 1969 (pro-Treasurer 1967)
- Nov. 1950 Norman Roy FOX-ANDREWS, Q.C. (1895–1971)
- Apl. 1951 Raymond Winter JENNINGS, Q.C. (1897–1995) (Kt. 1968)
- Apl. 1951 Hon. Sir (Arwyn) Lynn UNGOED-THOMAS (1904–1972):
T. 1968
- Mar. 1952 Sir Louis Halle GLUCKSTEIN, C.B.E., T.D., Q.C., D.L.
(1897–1979): T. 1970
- Mar. 1952 Cyril Montgomery WHITE, Q.C. (1897–1980): T. 1971
- Mar. 1952 Philip James SYKES (1901–1985)
- Mar. 1952 John Francis BOWYER (1883–1974)
- Mar. 1952 *Hon. Dean ACHESON*
- Oct. 1952 Rt. Hon. Sir Charles Ritchie RUSSELL (1908–1986)
(Lord Russell of Killowen 1975): T. 1972
- Nov. 1952 Basil Graham BURNETT-HALL (1894–1982)
- May 1954 Sir Milner HOLLAND, K.C.V.O., C.B.E., Q.C. (1902–1968)
- Nov. 1954 Sir George Phillips COLDSTREAM, K.C.B., Q.C. (K.C.V.O.
1968)
- Mar. 1955 His Honour Judge Edward CLARKE, Q.C. (1908–1989): T. 1972

- Apl. 1956 Rt. Hon. Viscount BLEDISLOE, Q.C. (1899–1979)
- Jun. 1956 Hon. Sir Edward Blanshard STAMP (1905–1984) (Rt. Hon. 1971)
- Nov. 1956 Rt. Hon. Quintin McGarel HOGG, Q.C., M.P. (Lord Hailsham of St Marylebone, Lord Chancellor 1970–1974; 1979–1987): T. 1975
- Apl. 1957 Ronald Robert Antony WALKER (1901–2000)
- Jul. 1957 Waldo William PORGES, Q.C. (1899–1976)
- Nov. 1957 Richard Lionel EDWARDS, Q.C. (1907–1984)
- Nov. 1957 His Honour Judge Thomas Arthur Collier BURGESS (1906–1977) (Kt. 1972)
- Mar. 1958 Hon. Sir Fenton ATKINSON (1906–1980) (Rt. Hon. 1968)
- Dec. 1958 *Professor Patrick William DUFF*
- May 1959 Hon. Sir Reginald William GOFF (1907–1980) (Rt. Hon. 1979–1980): T. 1974
- May 1959 *Sir Carleton Kemp ALLEN, M.C., Q.C., F.B.A., D.C.L.*
- Apl. 1960 Walter Somerville WIGGLESWORTH (1906–1972)
- Nov. 1960 His Honour Judge Bernard Benjamin GILLIS, Q.C. (1905–1996): T. 1976
- Jan. 1961 Hon. Sir Anthony PLOWMAN (1905–1993) (Vice-Chancellor 1974–1976)
- Jan. 1961 Hon. Sir John Passmore WIDGERY, C.B.E., T.D. (1911–1981) (Rt. Hon. Lord Widgery, Lord Chief Justice of England 1971–1980): T. 1977
- Jan. 1961 Hector HILLABY (c. 1903–1985)
- May 1962 Harold LIGHTMAN, Q.C. (1906–1998)
- May 1962 Michael James ALBERY, Q.C. (1910–1975)
- May 1962 George Arnold RINK, Q.C. (1902–1983): T. 1978
- Nov. 1962 Rt. Hon. Sir David Lockhart-Mure RENTON, K.B.E., Q.C., M.P. (Lord Renton 1979): T. 1979
- Nov. 1962 George Harold NEWSOM, Q.C. (1909–1992): T. 1980
- Nov. 1962 Robert Edgar MEGARRY, Q.C. (Rt. Hon. Sir Robert Megarry, Vice-Chancellor 1976–1985): T. 1981
- Nov. 1962 Ronald Cozens-Hardy HORNE (1902–1983)
- Mar. 1963 *Rt. Hon. Sir Kenneth GRESSON, K.B.E.*
- Jun. 1963 Hilary Barrow MAGNUS, Q.C. (1909–1987): T. 1982
- Jun. 1963 Sidney Henry NOAKES (1905–1993)

- Dec. 1963 Peter Harry Batson Woodroffe FOSTER, Q.C. (1912–1985)
(Hon. Sir Peter Foster 1969)
- Mar. 1964 Thomas Morley SHELFORD (1906–1986)
- Apl. 1964 *Whitney North SEYMOUR*
- Apl. 1964 *Professor Henry William Rawson WADE (Kt.
1985, Q.C., F.B.A.)*
- Apl. 1964 *Rt. Hon. Sir Garfield BARWICK*
- Jun. 1964 Neil Nairn McKINNON, Q.C. (1909–1988)
(His Honour Judge 1968)
- Jun. 1964 Alfred Aubone BADEN FULLER (1908–1997)
- Nov. 1964 Robert Stephen LAZARUS, Q.C. (1909–1991)
- Nov. 1964 Nigel Sebastian Sommerville WARREN, Q.C. (1912–1967)
- Nov. 1964 Edmund Gordon WRIGHT (1909–1971)
- Mar. 1965 *Sir Patrick Henry DEAN, G.C.M.G.*
- Nov. 1965 Norman John Lee BRODRICK, Q.C. (1912–1992)
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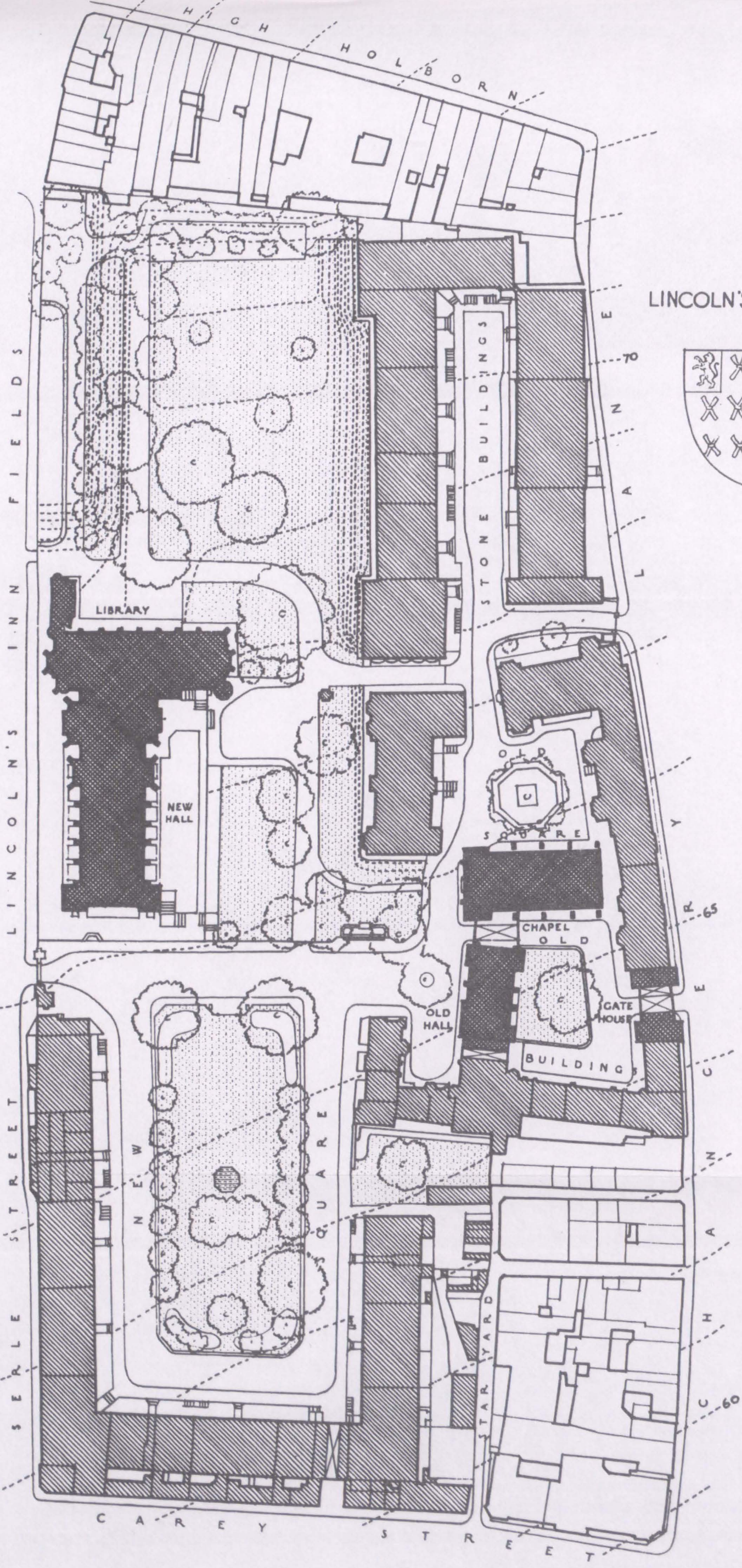
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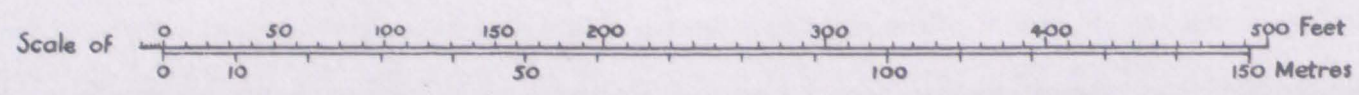
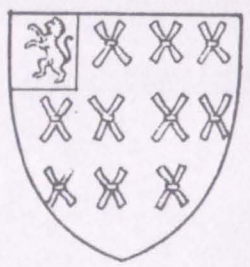
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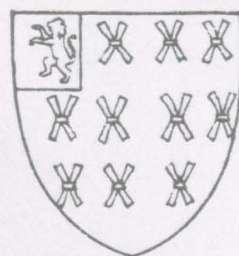


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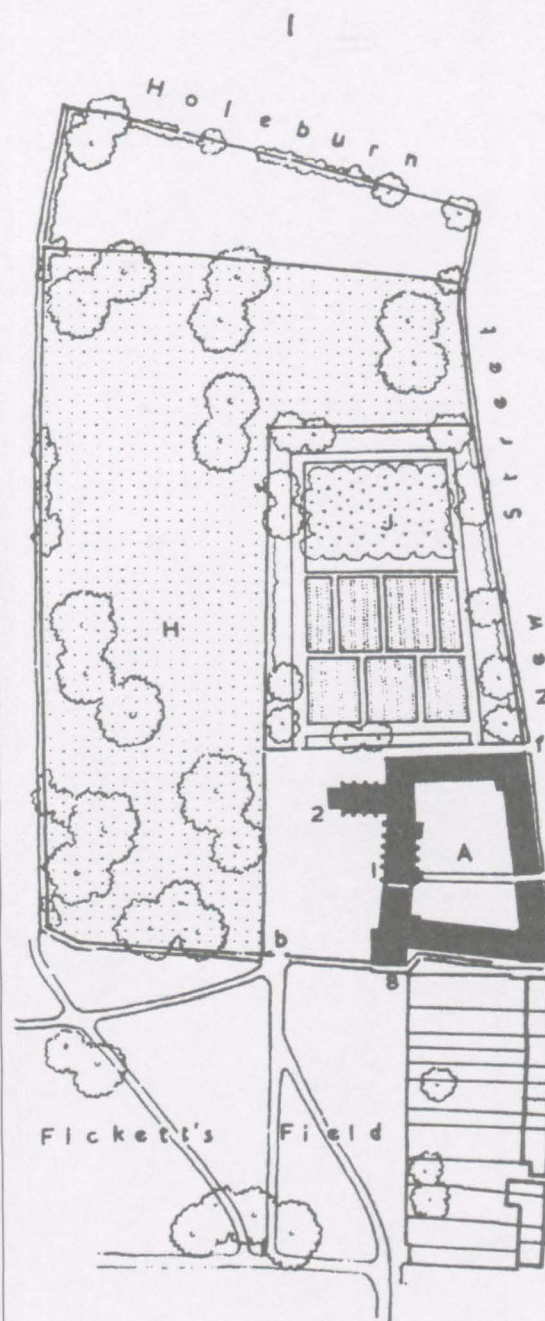
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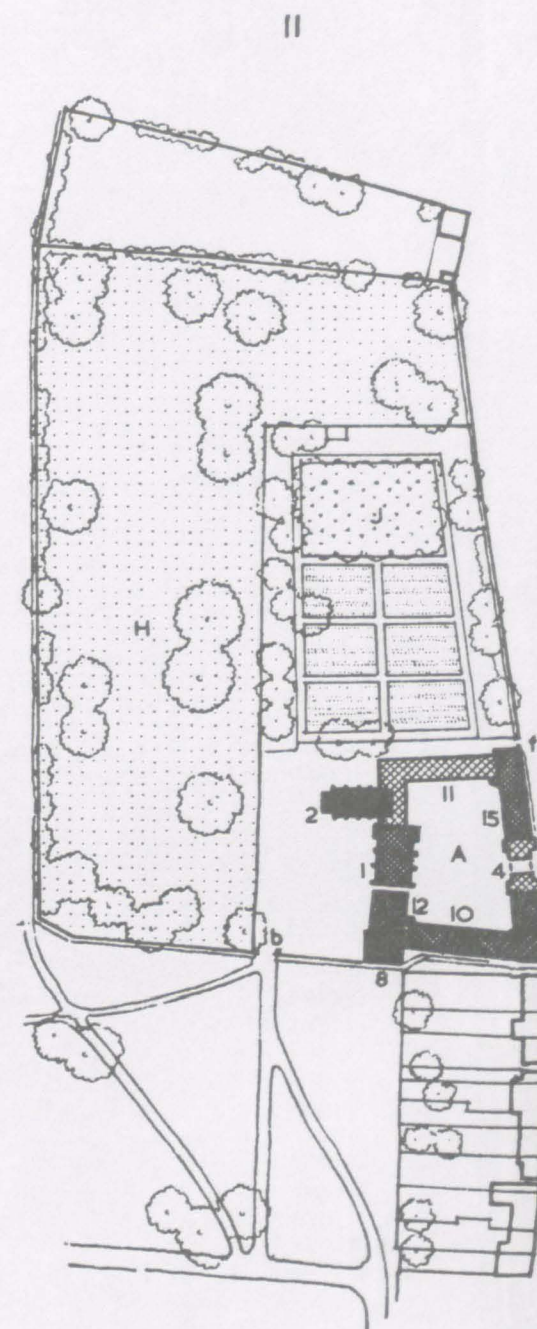
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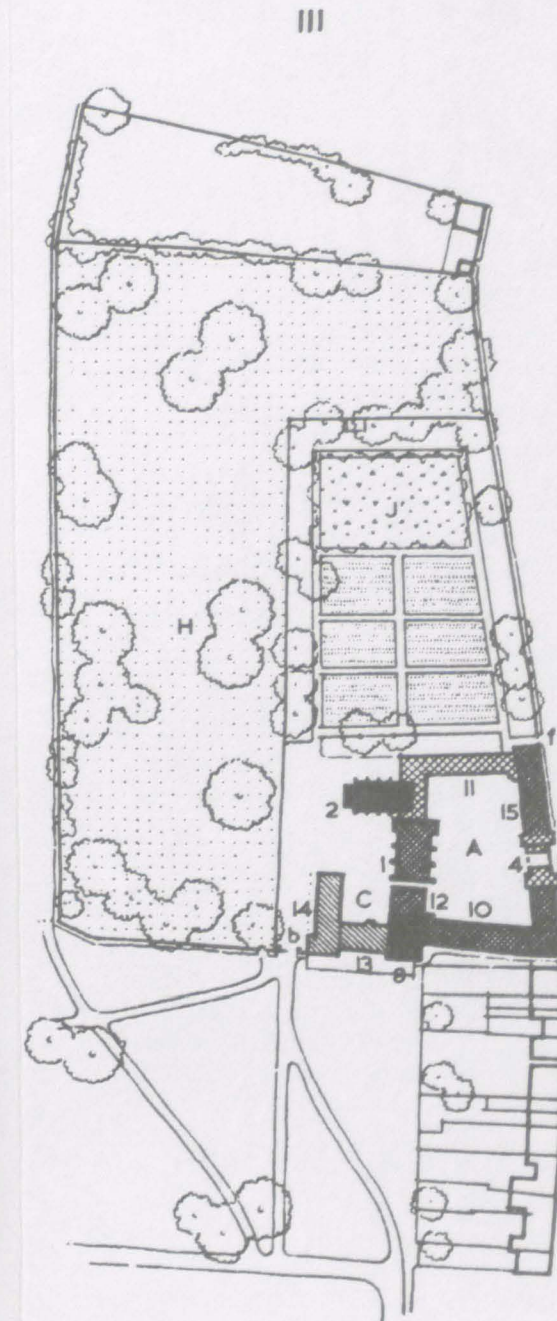
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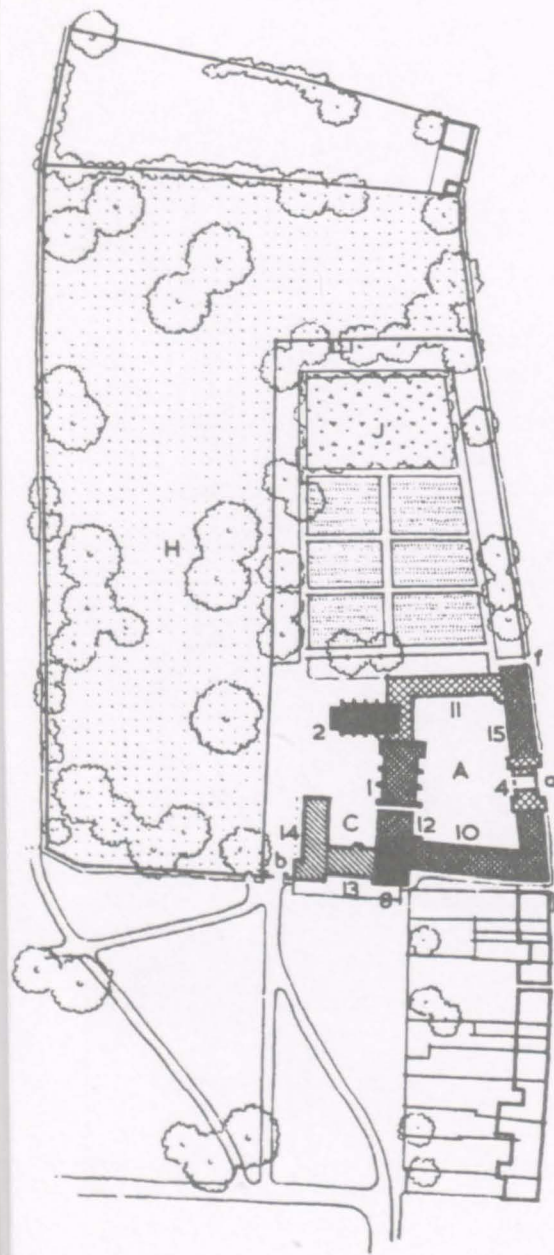


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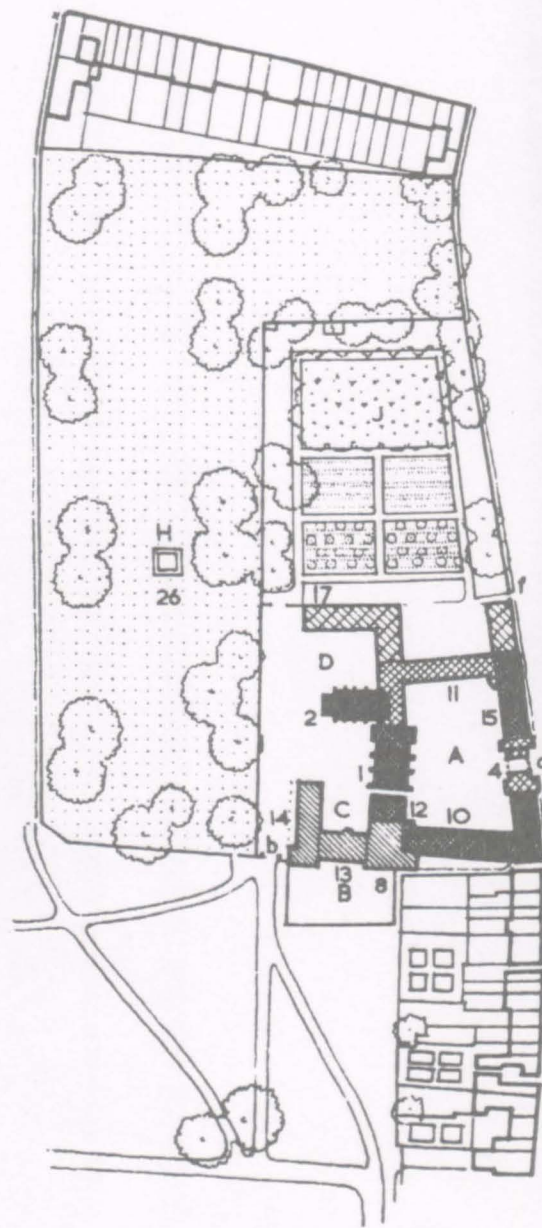
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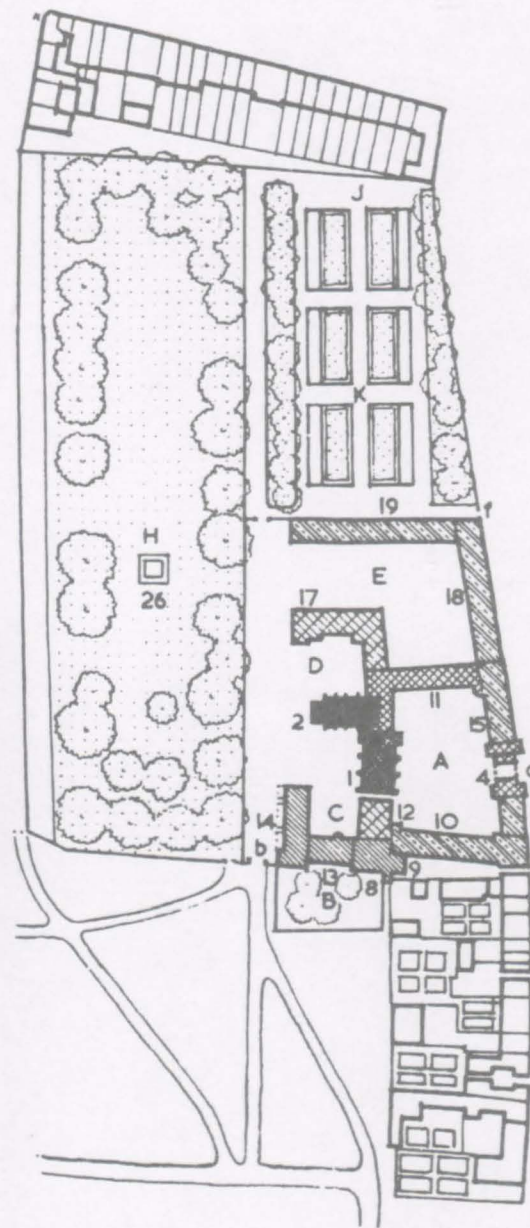
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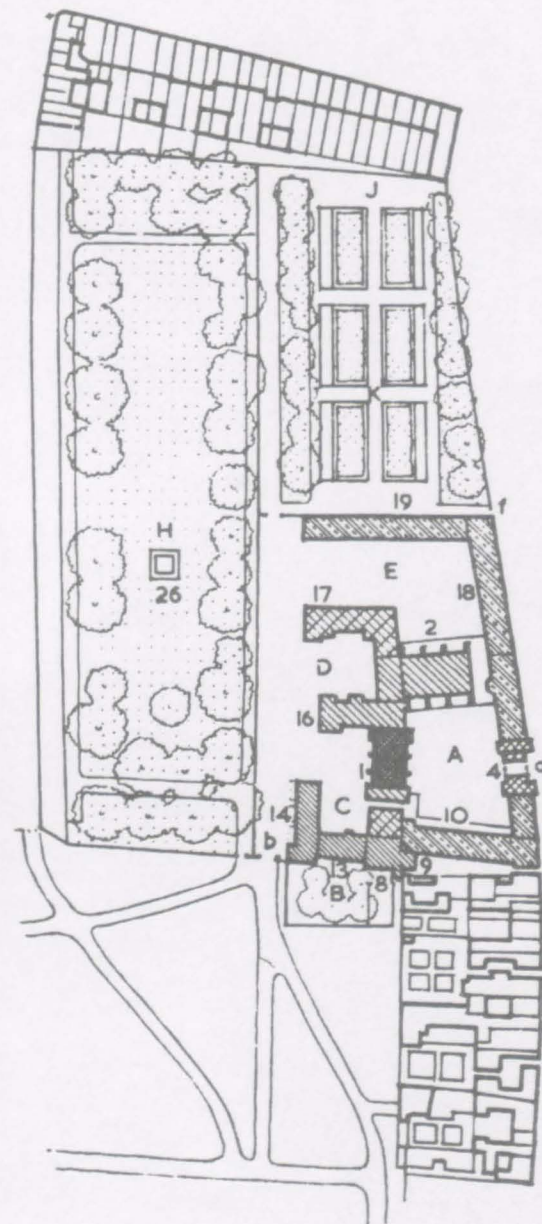
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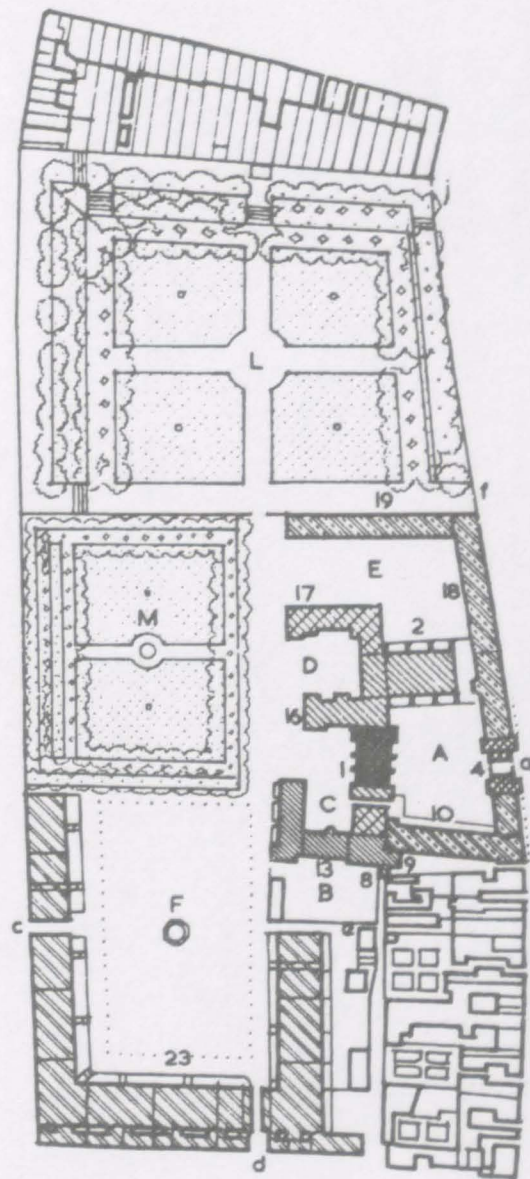
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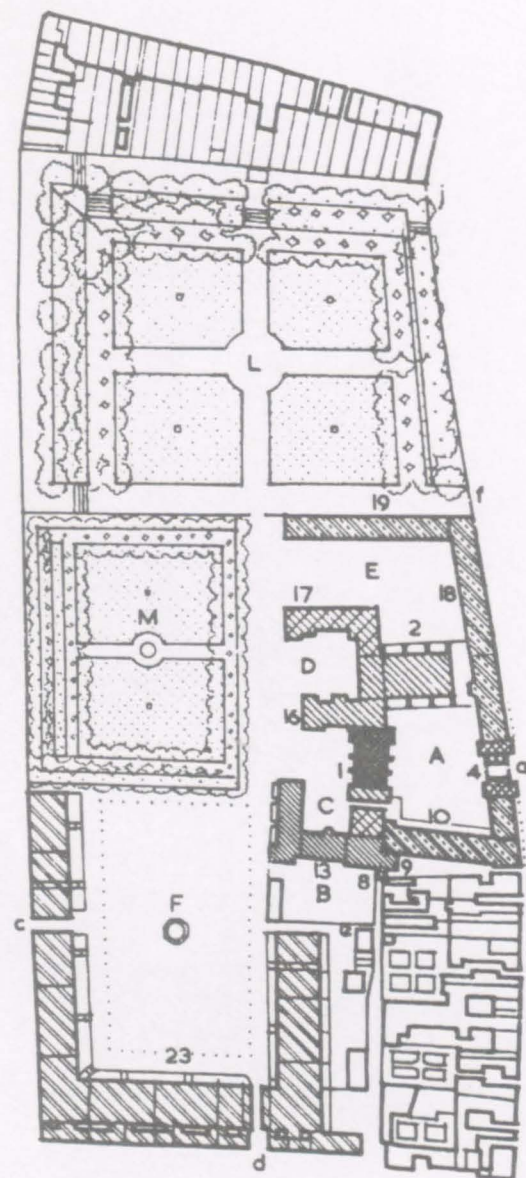
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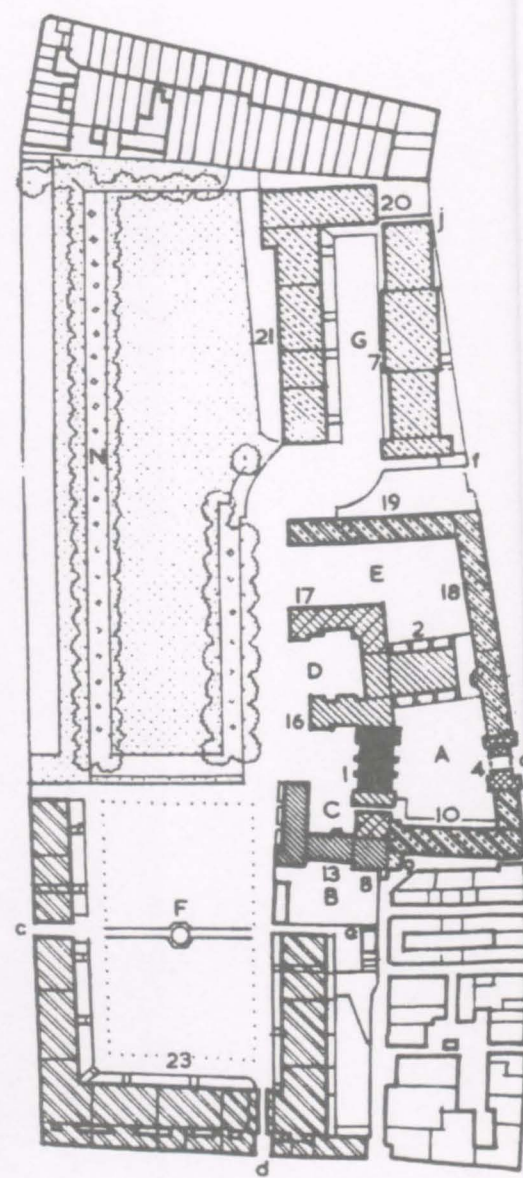
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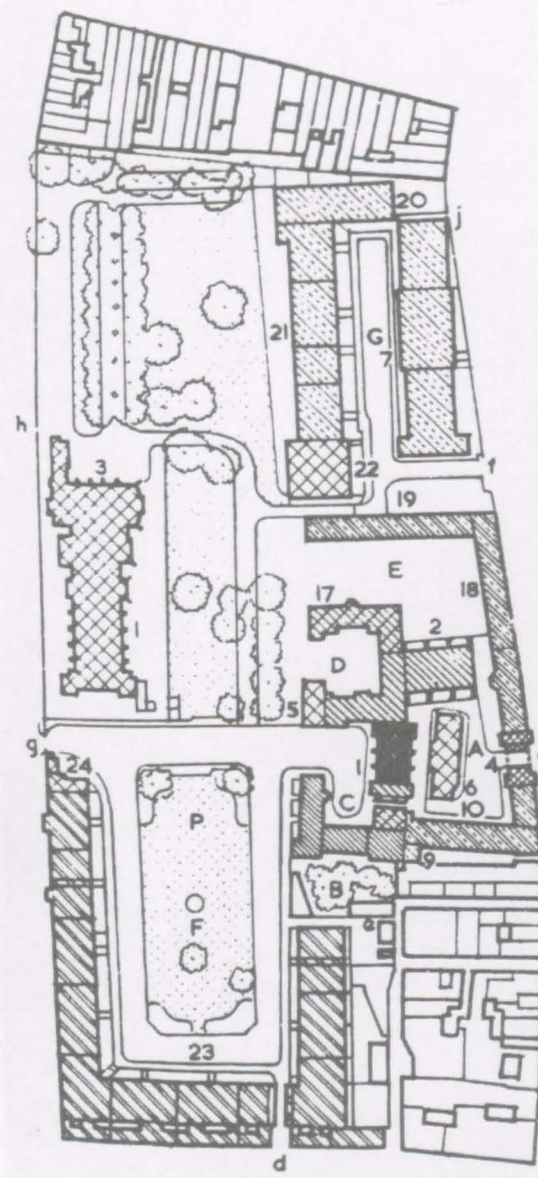
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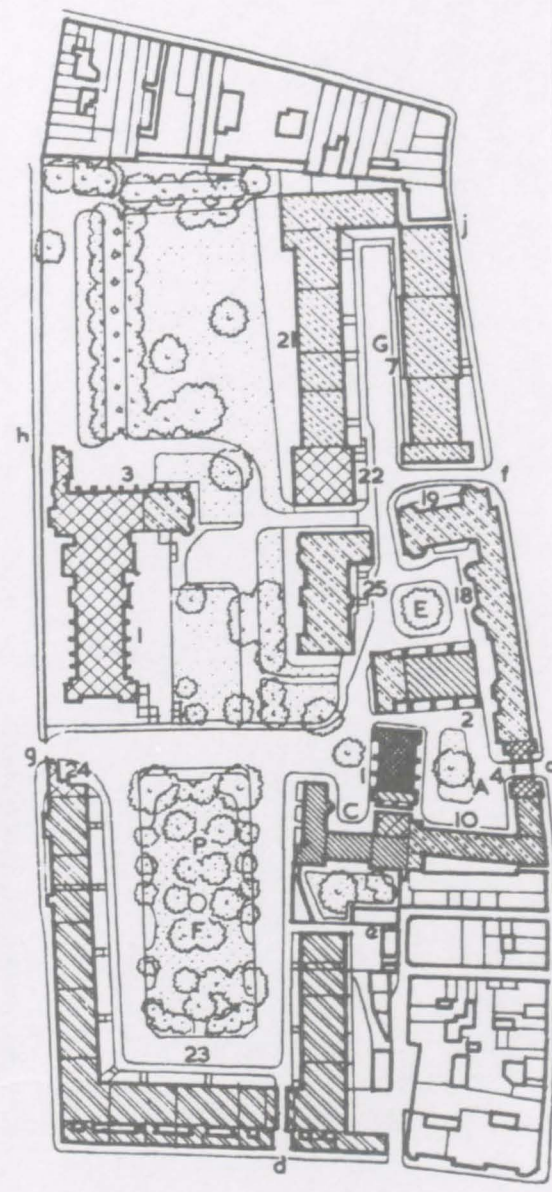
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- 3 Library
- 4 Gate House
- 5 Vice-Chancellor's Court
- 6 Temporary Courts
- 7 Register's, Accountant-General's
& Six Clerks' Offices
- 8 Kitchen
- 9 Pastry & Ovens
- 10 South Row, Long Gallery or
Stone Pace Row
- 11 NW Row
- 12 Hall End Row
- 13 Kitchen Garden Row
- 14 Field Gate Row
- 15 Short Gallery
- 16 Library Row
- 17 Dial Row or Chapel Row
- 18 Chancery Lane Row
- 19 Garden Row
- 20 1-2 Stone Buildings
- 21 3-6 Stone Buildings
- 22 7 Stone Buildings
- 23 1-11 Serle's Court
- 24 11A Serle's Court
- 25 8-10 Old Square
- 26 Red House

COURTS & GARDENS:

- A Chancery Lane Court,
Gatehouse Court or,
Old Buildings
- B Kitchen Garden Court
- C Field Gate Court
- D Middle Court or
Chapel Court
- E Garden Court, Dial Court,
or Old Square
- F Serle's Court or
New Square
- G Stone Buildings
- H Coney Garth 12th C.
- J Long Garden or
Cotterell's Garden 13th C.
- K The Walks 1608
- L Upper Garden 1662
- M Lower or Benchers' Garden 1662
- N Long Walk 1760
- P New Square Garden 1845

GATES:

- a Chancery Lane or Great Gate
- b Field Gate or Postern Gate
- c Postern Gate Serle's Court
- d South Gate
- e Gate to Chichester Rents
- f Gate to Chancery Lane
- g Gate to Lincoln's Inn Fields
- h Garden Gate
- j North Gate